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# So-so sales at relocated LibDay fest



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**S**o far, the move from the Garapan Fishing Base to the Civic Center grounds in Susupe hasn't paid dividends for vendors taking part in the 2013 Liberation Day festivities as many have posted lower-than-expected sales in the first five days of the weeklong event.

Matty Buenaventura, who runs a stall that sells snacks, toys, and other trinkets at the grounds, said this year's Liberation Day has so far been the worst in terms of sales. If not for the cotton candy and hot dogs she sells on the side, her store would

be in the red, she said.

Buenaventura, who owns Matty's Store in As Lito, said she has barely earned the \$600 the Liberation Day committee charged for the seven-day rental of her stall at the Civic Center Grounds. She has only two days left to recoup the salary of employees and the capital she used to buy what she sells at the store.

Buenaventura, whose store has been

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**Hospital gets more time to resolve CMS deficiencies**

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The U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has postponed its resurvey visit this month at the public hospital and decided to extend the termination date for the facility by another four months.

In a letter to Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. interim CEO Es See HOSPITAL on Page 4

## Customs revives K9 unit

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REPORTER

Detecting drugs in incoming passengers, luggage, cargo, and post office packages is now faster with yesterday's official revival of the CNMI Customs Services Division's K9 Unit—once touted a model in the Pacific but sidelined since June 2012 due to lack of funds and certified drug-detector dog handlers.

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Customs dog handler Joey Songao looks on as drug-detector dog "Flick" sniffs the drug "ice" in one of the mock postal boxes lined up as part of a demonstration yesterday for the graduation of three drug-detector dog handlers, officially reviving the CNMI Division of Customs Services' K9 Unit.

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# Local

## Ex-cop found guilty of five charges, not guilty of 2 charges

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Superior Court Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho yesterday convicted former police officer Martin I. Kapileo on five charges but acquitted him of two others in connection with a vehicular hit-and-run case.

At a bench trial, Camacho found the 50-year-old Kapileo guilty of restriction upon use of government vehicles, drinking alcohol while operating a vehicle, possession of an open container while operating vehicle, failure to exercise due care, and failure to stop at scene of accident.

Camacho said the testimony of witnesses and other evidence proved beyond reasonable doubt that Kapileo is guilty.

Camacho, however, found Kapileo not guilty of driving on the right side of the highway and driving under the influence of alcohol. He said the government failed to prove beyond reasonable doubt that the former police officer committed these two offenses.

Kapileo will be sentenced on July 31, 2013, at 1:30pm. He remains free until his sentencing day.

Kapileo's counsel, Brien Sers

Nicholas, said he will talk with his client first whether they will file post-trial motions.

Kapileo refused to speak to the media after the hearing.

In a brief interview with reporters, assistant attorney general Nicole Driscoll said that justice has been served and they are pleased.

Driscoll said the primary charge of failure to stop at the scene of an accident carries a



Former police officer Martin I. Kapileo, left, walks with his counsel, Brien Sers Nicholas, on their way out from the Superior Court after a bench trial yesterday.

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minimum sentence of 90 days in prison and the maximum of five years. The other charges are mostly traffic infractions that carry penalties or fines.

"Overall, this is a traffic case," Driscoll said, but it is also a criminal case in the sense that the primary charge is a misdemeanor.

Prior to yesterday's decision, Camacho dismissed five other charges filed against Kapileo.

At yesterday's closing arguments, assistant attorney general Brian Flaherty said they have presented enough evidence, through testimony of several witnesses, photos, and other evidence, to find Kapileo guilty of all charges.

An off-duty Kapileo was driving a Boating Safety pickup truck when the truck's right side mirror hit a woman who was walking on the grassy area of the side of the road. He did not stop.

Flaherty said that Kapileo's 14-year-old son, who was his passenger in the truck, told the defendant that he just struck a woman.

Flaherty said another witness, who was driving behind the DPS vehicle, saw the incident and followed the pickup truck.

"But you just kept going!"

Flaherty said.

Flaherty said the witness followed the vehicle and called 911, telling the dispatcher that he was following the truck. Police officers later pulled over Kapileo along Quartermaster Road.

Flaherty said that an open can of beer was found near the driver's seat and in the truck's bed were 15 empty cans of beer.

In his closing arguments, Sers Nicholas described the police investigation in the case as "sloppy." He said the government failed to prove beyond reasonable doubt that his client's guilty.

Nicholas cited the police's alleged failure to conduct a test on the contents of the can of beer found in the truck, failure to review the statements of Kapileo's son, failure to interview other witnesses, failure to match tire marks and bloodstains, among other things.

Nicholas said no evidence was presented that Kapileo was intoxicated.

"As the saying goes: Houston we've got a problem. In this case, there's a lot of problems," he pointed out.

The trial began on Monday.

The prosecution presented eight witnesses, including the

victim, Mayona S. Bergosa, 52, and Kapileo's 14-year-old son.

Bergosa sustained head injuries in the back of her head after the truck's right side mirror

hit her as she was walking on the grassy side of the road on Chalan Monsignor Guerrero in Kannat Tabla in the afternoon of Oct. 27, 2012.

## 4-day weekend for govt employees

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Many government employees will have a four-day Liberation Day weekend starting today until Sunday.

Gov. Eloy S. Inos issued a one-page memorandum yesterday granting administrative leave for non-essential employees of the Executive Branch for Friday, July

5, which is caught between today's Liberation Day legal holiday and Saturday.

Senate President Ralph Torres (IR-Saipan) and House Speaker Joseph Deleon Guerrero (IR-Saipan) also granted administrative leave for Friday for legislative employees.

The four-day reprieve was welcomed by many.

"We will be able to spend more time with our family and enjoy more this Liberation weekend," a male Capital Hill

government employee told *Saipan Tribune*.

This year, the Northern Marianas commemorates the 68th Anniversary of the Battle of Saipan and Tinian. In 1944, the United States of America began

the liberation of the Northern Marianas.

The governor, in a Liberation Day statement yesterday, urged the people to "do more than celebrate our own freedom and liberation."

Inos called on people to "commemorate the sacrifices that so many have made for us to enjoy our freedom today."

"While our Commonwealth has had its fair share of challenges, our resiliency as a people remains our strength and inspiration to keep forging ahead. By commemorating our liberation, we are constantly reminded that with the spirit of cooperation, we can all join hands to enjoy our lives, liberty and our pursuit of happiness," he said.

**» Inos: Our resiliency remains our strength, inspiration to keep forging ahead**

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## Parties in Fund class suit urged to finalize settlement

U.S. District Court for the NMI designated judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood has urged the parties in Betty Johnson's class action to continue working in good faith with one another to finalize the proposed settlement agreement.

### Trustee ad litem, lawyers bill Fund \$52K for April services

U.S. District Court for the NMI designated judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood has ordered the NMI Retirement Fund to pay the trustee *ad litem* and two Fund lawyers \$52,479.54 in compensation and reimbursement for April.

In an order Tuesday, Tydingco-Gatewood approved the request of Fund trustee *ad litem* Civille and Tang law firm for payment of \$16,487.50 for services and \$409.63 for reimbursement of expenses, for a total of \$16,897.13.

For Fund counsel Daniel J. Berman, the judge approved the payment of \$20,062.50 for professional services and \$399.91 in expenses, for a total invoice of \$20,462.41.

The Fund's other lawyer, Braddock J. Huesman, was approved for \$15,120 for pro-

In an order Tuesday, Tydingco-Gatewood also urged all parties to work on the proposed notices, claim forms, and other necessary documents that will help her assess whether the proposed settlement "is fair, adequate, and reasonable, and

treats class members equitably relative to each other, given the costs, risks and probability of success if litigation continued."

She encouraged the parties to use the time between now and the July 22, 2013, deadline to draft and circulate for review

and input the proposed settlement agreement, motion for preliminary approval and supporting documents.

The parties reached a tentative settlement deal last week.

Under the plan, \$52 million will be set aside for payment to current government employees who have elected to withdraw from the Fund. Retirees will get

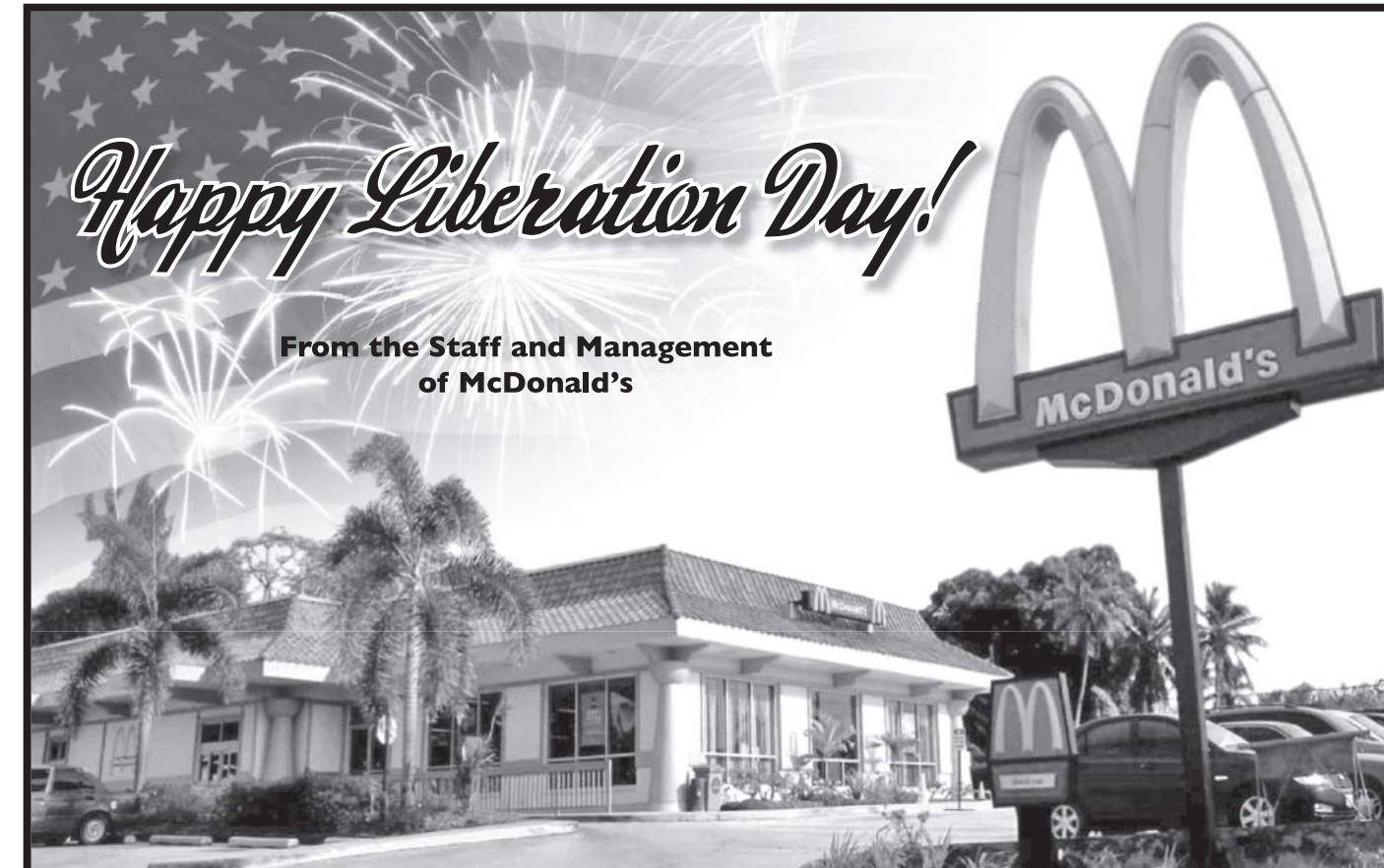
a 25-percent cut in their benefits.

Although the parties are now finalizing the settlement agreement, Tydingco-Gatewood said she wishes to be prepared for litigation in case the agreement falls apart.

If a motion to approve the settlement agreement is not filed by July 22, she said she will hear Phyllis Ain's motions

to intervene on July 26.

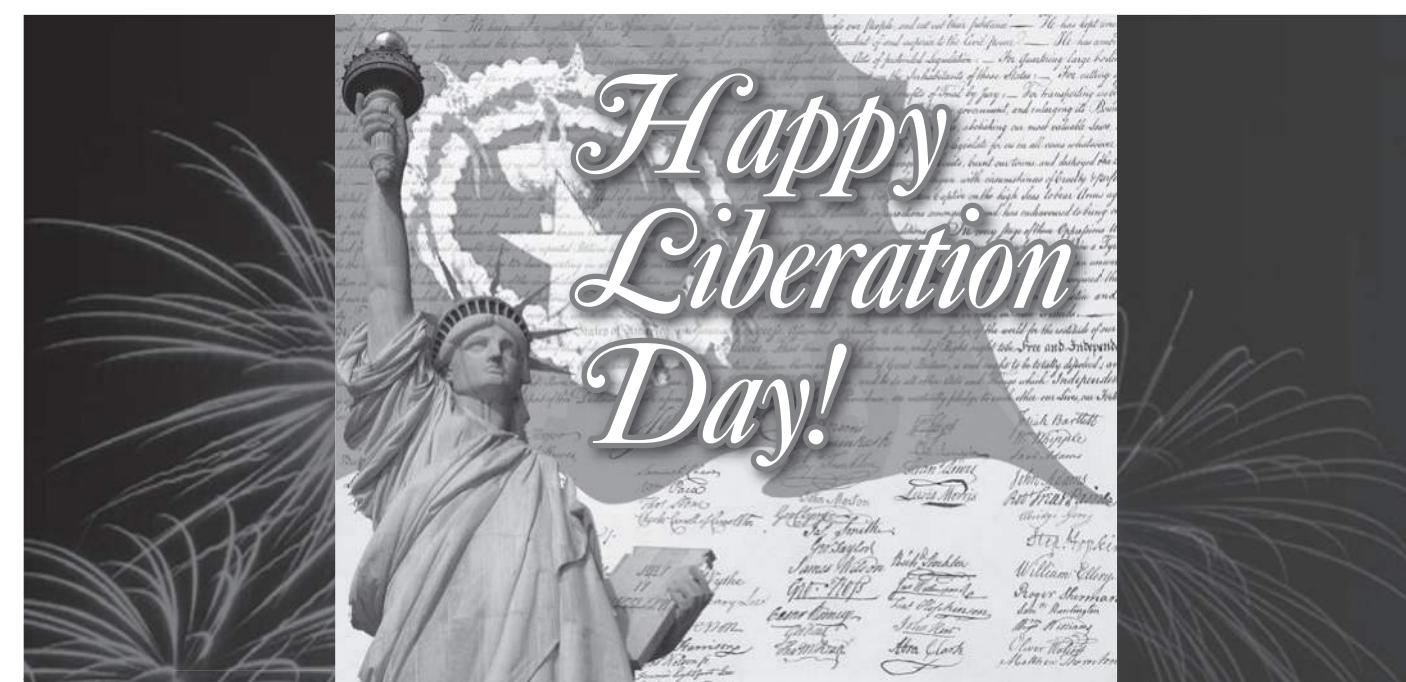
The judge said all filings that were previously due by the July 8 deadline shall now be filed by July 23; all filing that were previously due by the July 15 deadline shall now be filed by July 29; and all filings that were previously due by July 18 shall now be filed by July 31. (*Ferdie de la Torre*)



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## Inos asked to hold off revising \$123.4M budget

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The House Ways and Means Committee asked Gov. Eloy S. Inos to consider holding off revising the proposed fiscal year 2014 budget of \$123.4 million at this stage when the panel is nearing its pre-filing of a budget bill. As of yesterday, the governor has yet to decide on the request.

## HOSPITAL

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ther Muña on Monday, Rufus Arther, manager of Hospital and Community Care Operations Branch of the Division of Survey and Certification, said the extension recognizes the need to keep the Commonwealth Health Center open.

“Due to the extent of the deficiencies, the complexity of making fundamental, systematic changes, and in recognition as well of the importance of main-

taining access to hospital services for CNMI’s residents, CMS has decided to allow [CHC] additional time to demonstrate the capacity and commitment to achieve and sustain compliance with all Medicare hospital Conditions of Participation,” Arther said.

CHC’s termination date is now Oct. 15, 2013, at 12:01am. That means the hospital is being given up to October to address all deficiencies identified by CMS in a previous visit.

Muña welcomed the good news yesterday and expressed confidence that the hospital

will be in compliance with all the necessary standards and requirements by then.

“The staff and management of CHC welcome this extension not only because it gives CHC more time to be in full compliance, but it is a reflection of their hard work and dedication to bring safety and quality in patient care,” she told *Saipan Tribune*.

Muña pointed out that even before this letter of extension, the corporation has been updating CMS every two weeks about the hospital’s compliance efforts.

signed into law, then the governor could submit a supplemental budget later. By that time we might have more concrete revenue projections,” Sablan told *Saipan Tribune*.

Press secretary Angel Demapan, when asked for comment, said yesterday that “the governor is awaiting more current figures being generated by Finance.”

“Once that data is received, he’ll be able to determine the

next step,” Demapan said.

Sablan said the Ways and Means Committee requested that any projected additional revenue be funneled into the NMI Retirement Fund, particularly to address the settlement agreement now being finalized.

### Redistribution of funds

Ways and Means, at the same time, said yesterday that the panel has started redistributing among agencies and programs

some \$280,000 previously identified as available for redistribution based on a review of the governor’s proposed budget.

“This is just partial redistribution. We plan to finish it next week,” Sablan said.

Sablan said the committee, at yesterday’s closed-door meeting, approved an additional \$100,000 for the Judiciary, so that it can fund the hiring of court-appointed attorneys to represent indigent clients.

order for termination proceedings to be rescinded,” according to Arther.

He also reminded that it is CHC’s ultimate responsibility to make sure of its compliance with standards.

“Please bear in mind that although the Commissioned Corps Hospital Assistance Team continues to assist and advise with compliance matters at this time, ultimately it is CHC’s responsibility to ensure that the facility complies with Medicare requirements,” added Arther.

difference and I’m ready to face new challenges,” he said.

The Customs director, moreover, said the K9 Unit will not stop at having three dog handlers.

“We are waiting for federal funds to be able to hire and train dog handlers to further beef up the K9 Unit,” Mafnas added.

Since June 2012, Customs has had no certified dog handlers. This had left four highly trained dogs sitting idle and passenger and luggage inspection times taking longer than usual since customs personnel were forced to do manual checks. Yesterday’s revival of the Customs K9 program is expected to make inspection time faster.

The CNMI Customs K9 Unit used to be a “model for the Pacific,” providing training for dog handlers not only in the CNMI but also from Palau and American Samoa.

Finance Secretary Larrisa Larson said that enforcement is “key,” now that the economy is close to recovery.

## CUSTOMS

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“The CNMI Customs K9 is alive and active effective today,” Customs Director Joe Mafnas told the crowd at the start of yesterday’s graduation ceremony for three K9 handlers that completed a 10-week passive drug-detector dog course.

Mafnas said the newly certified dog handlers and their dogs would start working right away, including inspecting incoming airline passengers, their luggage, cargo at the seaport, and packages sent through the mail.

“They are an added tool for inspection, and will provide assistance to local and federal law enforcement agencies,” he later told *Saipan Tribune*.

The newly certified Customs K9 handlers are John Reyes, Joey Songao and John Pangelinan, a returning Customs K9 handler.

Each one is assigned to work

with drug detector dogs named Ursula, Flick, and Rokko—all Labradors.

Gov. Eloy S. Inos, at the graduation ceremony for the three K9 handlers at the airport area, recognized Customs’ hard work in bringing back to life a program that has been idle for quite a while.

The governor also thanked other agencies that helped Customs revive the program, including the Criminal Justice Planning Agency for grants.

Inos said drug interception is a very challenging task, and Customs has always played a major role in that effort—if not the lead role.”

“I want to emphasize the fact that this program can continue only with the support of [other] agencies,” he said, referring to the Legislature for appropriating funds and CSPA for facilitating federal grants for the K9 program.

Inos said he does not want to see the Customs K9 program sidelined again.

When the Inos administration tapped Mafnas in March to lead Customs once again, one of Mafnas’ priorities was to revive the neglected K9 Unit starting with the hiring and training of three candidates, including one who is a former certified K9 handler that left Customs when the K9 program was winding down.

“We’ve got the right people, the right leadership,” Senate President Ralph Torres (R-Saipan) said in his remarks at the ceremony, as he also recognized the administration’s commitment to the K9 program.

Torres echoed the governor’s push to make the government a drug-free workplace.

The governor, in his remarks, asked the Legislature to consider a bill that would ensure government workplaces are drug-free.

Rep. Christopher Leon Guerrero (Cov-Saipan) is heading the governor’s call. In fact, since January, Leon Guerrero has been drafting legislation to

make it “mandatory” for all law enforcement personnel including regulatory agency inspectors to undergo drug testing.

### ‘Challenging’

Customs tapped two former Customs K9 trainers to train the three handlers.

Jesse Atalig, owner of the private firm Pacific K9, was one of CNMI Customs’ pioneer K9 handlers and trainers. He and fellow former Customs K9 handler/trainer Donnie Fejeran trained Reyes, Pangelinan, and Songao.

Before the three K9 handlers could receive their certificates yesterday, they had one more test—to showcase their and respective dogs’ capabilities in handling and detecting drugs among mock passengers and mock luggage at the Customs K9 Unit at the airport area.

“It was challenging. But it’s never a success without a challenge,” said Pangelinan, who just turned 22 on July 1. Pange-

linan’s assigned drug-detector dog is named Ursula and together, they demonstrated yesterday the K9’s detection of “marijuana” among mock passengers. Pangelinan is new to both the Customs Division and its K9 unit.

Reyes, 30, used to be a Customs K9 handler from 2003 to 2011. He said yesterday that he left Customs when the K9 Unit was already winding down. Reyes said when he learned that the K9 Unit was being revived, he wanted to return.

“I’m happy that the program is back. It’s important for the CNMI. One of the reasons the program went down was lack of funding,” he told *Saipan Tribune*. Reyes is assigned to Rokko.

Songao, 24, has been with Customs for two years but as part of the seaport and later airport operations. He applied to become a K9 handler, and he’s glad he made the move.

“I chose to become a K9 handler because I want to make a

meanwhile, will be taking part in today’s Liberation Day parade, which starts exactly at 10am at the Quartermaster Road.

Glennise Ada said their sales are “so far so good, but could be better.”

### Miss Gay Supermodel crowned

Wednesday night saw the crowning of the Miss Gay Supermodel Natasha 2013 at the Civic Center grounds.

Topping the competition was “Laura,” who wore the Miss Gay Supermodel Natasha 2013 tiara by night’s end.

Other winners include first runner-up “Joanne,” second runner-up “Jolly,” and third runner-up Joey Sison.

Special prizes went to “Bernadeth Cleopatra” as Star of the Night, “Nhemic” as Ms. Gay Model Liberation Day 2013, and “Tammy” as Miss Gay Yuichiro’s Model 2013.

### Parade participants

A total of 34 organizations,

Commonwealth Cyclers, Commonwealth Transit Association, Center for Living Independently in CNMI, Guam Army National Guard (CNMI Family Readiness Group), Man’Amko Kings and Queens, Chuukese Catholic Community-Saipan, Freedom in Surrender, Team Bad Habit 670 Car Club, Coca-Cola Beverage Co., St. Michael’s Ambulance Service, Red Cross Disaster Team, Department of Homeland Security, Go Green For God-The Creators Call To Conservation, Peleliu Athletes Club of Saipan, Paper Dolls, and 2013 Liberation Day Queen and Royal Court.

Of the number, eight are floats and four of these will take part in the float competition.

Vicente Camacho, 2013 Liberation Day committee chair, said that today’s program will start exactly at 9am at the Civic Center grounds.

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taking part in the Liberation Day festivities the past 18 years, said the move from Garapan to Susupe could’ve played a part in the low turnout of residents at the event, which has led to poor sales. To be fair, she also said the economy is also down and a lot of local people and nonresidents have left the island.

Irene Santiago, D’Elegance Café accountant, said their sales are still okay but admitted that they are indeed lower than when the Liberation Day festival was still at the Garapan Fishing Base. One thing working against the new venue, Santiago said, is that the Civic Center grounds is less accessible to tourists than the original one.

Luckily, there are only a handful of vendors selling food

this year, Santiago said, giving her restaurant a better chance at luring hungry customers. Food vendors paid \$700 for a stall at the Liberation Festival grounds.

Buenaventura’s and Santiago’s sentiments were shared by Canton Restaurant manager Carol Wong. She said sales so far are “OK, but not good.” She said organizers could’ve promoted the move to Susupe a lot better so residents and tourists know that it’s no longer in Garapan.

Winzy Corp. is also lamenting the weak sales this year, with manager Tess Commandante already rethinking plans of joining next year’s festivities. She said her stall earned a grand total of only \$25 on the first day, \$103 on the second, \$134 on the third, and \$169 on the fourth day of festivities.

On Wednesday night, she was happy to collect \$100 but most

of it came from customers who bought items via layaway.

Aside from the struggling economy, which has deterred people from buying, she said there are not that many people on the island anymore.

Java Joe’s hadn’t been that affected by the move to the Civic Center grounds. Manju Hom, manager of Java Joe’s, said that sales were brisk the past couple of days, especially Monday during the crowning of the 2013 Liberation Day Queen.

Natasha Service Center owner Ann Cabael said it would help if her sales would improve the next couple of days. She said she is lucky that her ready-to-wear items, toys, and sandals are on 50-percent clearance so a lot of people are still buying.

Liberation Day newbie Saipan Family Restaurant, meanwhile, enjoyed good sales on opening day and its manager

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# 17 findings, \$205K questioned costs bared in new PSS audit

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The latest audit conducted by an independent firm on the Public School System for fiscal year 2012 bared multiple deficiencies and received a "qualified" opinion because of material weaknesses and significant deficiencies uncovered.

A qualified opinion report is issued when the auditor encounters one of two types of situations that do not comply with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the rest of the financial statements are fairly presented. Like the fiscal year 2011 audit, PSS was categorized as not a low-risk auditee.

Released yesterday by the Board of Education, the 107-page audit test conducted by J. Scott Magliari indicated a total of 17 findings and over \$200,000 in questioned costs.

Its main findings indicate weaknesses in bank reconciliation, purchase and disbursement, used of restricted cash, accrual and timely reconciliation of CNMI appropriations,

capital assets, travel advances, human resources and payroll, and tax compliance.

Among the specific findings is the unauthorized used of restricted funds after using a portion of the cash withheld in the restricted bank account for the general obligation bond which as of Sept. 30, 2012 has only \$968,045—\$291,773 less than the required balance. PSS disclosed that this was used due to the central government's partial withholding of fiscal years 2012 and 2011 appropriated funds. PSS also said that the action was approved by the Board of Education and that it fully intends to repay the borrowed funds.

In accordance with PSS policy, the maximum accumulation of accrued annual leave shall be 360 hours. Hours in excess of 360 will be converted to sick leave. PSS' practice is to convert excess leave at the end of the calendar year.

"The regulation is silent as to when the conversion should be done," states the report.

PSS was also found to have failed to remit its employer

share for the defined benefit plan in fiscal year 2012. In its response, PSS indicated that it reconciled its records with the Fund and made payments in November and December 2012.

The auditor also found 1,891 travel sub-ledgers with outstanding travel advances as of Sept. 30, 2012. Total outstanding travel advances amount to \$994,661. An analysis of the aging of open travel advances shows that \$287,797 is over 1 year old and \$616,854 is less than 1 year old but are over 90 days old.

A total of 385 travel sub-ledger account balances have credit balances totaling \$29,296.

It was also found that many PSS travelers were underpaid or overpaid for their per diem dur-

ing the testing period.

PSS, through finance director George Palican, responded that significant progress has been made in reducing outstanding travel advances as evidenced by a 12-percent decrease as of December 2012. Two accounting staff are also assigned to focus on processing travel liquidations. He will also ask the commissioner and board to write-off old travel balances totaling \$287,797 that were transferred back in 1998 and 1999. This write-off will be processed by Sept. 30, 2013.

## \$205K questioned cost

The system was also found to have violated a federal award policy in the use of sole-source justification and did not com-

ply with the procurement, suspension and debarment policy, resulting in questioned costs amounting to a total of \$134,433.

This includes \$109,840 for the purchase of the Student Information System and Concourse Library Software. The auditor states that this should not have been covered by a sole-source contract since the software does not qualify for the exceptions stated PSS policy. Another \$24,593 is an unjustified invoice for update and maintenance support for the Administrator Plus Software.

The auditor said that purchase orders should be approved before actual services are performed or products are procured. Six purchase orders

amounting to \$69,402 were found prepared after the actual materials and services were procured and there were no after-the-fact justifications, a violation of procurement policy. Another \$1,727 in questioned cost was for one non-payroll transaction tested.

In his response, Palican promised that Procurement and Supply will ensure that all purchase orders submitted after materials and services are procured will be accompanied with after-the-fact justification.

The fiscal year 2011 audit that was adopted in April this year shows that PSS also received a qualified opinion. Of the 13 findings, only two were marked as corrected, according to the latest audit report.

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## FOLLOWING SUPREME COURT RULING

Judge orders evidentiary hearing on OAG's disqualification issue

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REPORTER

Superior Court Associate Judge David A. Wiseman set yesterday an evidentiary hearing on the Office of the Attorney General's disqualification from any case involving the defendants in an alleged conspiracy to shield former attorney general Edward T. Buckingham from being served a penal summons.

The evidentiary hearing will be on July 18, 2013, at 9am.

The judge said the hearing shall be limited to the OAG and the Office of the Public Auditor for the presentation of any evidence or arguments.

Wiseman held yesterday morning a status conference to discuss the CNMI Supreme Court's recent ruling on the OAG disqualification issue.

Assistant attorney general Nicole Driscoll and OPA legal counsel George Hasselback appeared at the hearing.

On Friday, the Supreme Court granted the OAG's petition for a writ of mandamus. In that order, the Supreme Court justices stopped the criminal actions filed against former Department of Public Safety deputy commissioner Ambrosio Ogumoro and others related to the alleged conspiracy.

The justices directed the Su-



Wiseman

perior Court to hold a hearing on the OAG's disqualification from any case involving the alleged co-conspirators of Buckingham.

The justices ruled that they have inadequate records to examine because no disqualification hearing was held.

Pending the trial court's resolution of the OAG disqualification issue, the jus-

tices said the cases against Ogumoro, Commonwealth Ports Authority police chief Jordan Kosam, former governor Benigno R. Fitial's personal driver and bodyguard Jermaine Joseph W. Nekaifes, and CPA Capt. Juan T. Rebuenog will be suspended, as well as any other related cases brought by the OPA.

Wiseman disqualified the OAG in August 2012 because of the OAG Civil Division chief's representation of Buckingham at the arraignment hearing on Aug. 6, 2012.

Attorney General Joey P. San Nicolas and assistant attorney general Charles Brasington filed the petition in the Supreme Court. The petition challenged the constitutionality of Wiseman's order disqualifying the entire OAG from the case without notice or an opportunity to respond.

# 'The lack of written material hinders local history'

Visiting University of Guam professor Dr. Anne Perez Hattori said the lack of written history in the Marianas hinders students of the discipline in the region.

This problem was one of the reasons why the NMI Humanities Council organized a history research workshop at the Northern Marianas College last week, she said.

"This [lack of written material] really is a problem in all the Pacific islands because history as a discipline always revolves around written documents and the Pacific islands don't have that...the indigenous people don't have a history of writing," Hattori told *Saipan Tribune*.

Because of this, Hattori said, histories in the region tend not

to come from the indigenous perspective and island people

are left to learn and read their own history through the per-

spective of their colonizers—the Spanish, German, Japanese,

and now the Americans.

"So trying to learn many [history] topics requires that you really find people to interview because aside from history the value systems of the indigenous are also passed on [orally]."

## Importance of history

Hattori emphasized the importance of the discipline. Much like a person's memory, history helps people make better decisions about their future.

"Most people think history is just boring. They say it's the past and it's irrelevant. But I think that it's a very sad perspective because we know that, even as individuals, our history is important. What we've done in the past helps us decide what we'll do in the future. If I did something in the past and I didn't like it or it didn't work out, I know in the future 'OK, let me try something different.'

"We learn from our mistakes and that's why memory is important. It's unfortunate that most people in the [Northern] Marianas and Guam and the other islands, we know much more about the U.S. than we do about our own history," she said.

The history of the United States, she said, unfortunately won't necessarily help island people cope with the many struggles and challenges they are currently facing.

"The best decisions we make

## Summer credit recovery courses at Kagman High

The CNMI Public School System is making available its Summer Credit Recovery Courses at the Kagman High School campus.

Credit recovery aims to allow students the opportunity to take or re-take the required course to meet graduation requirements. Classes are limited. Last day for registration is on Monday, July 8, 2013.

The program will run from July 8 to Aug. 19. There will be no classes on July 15-19.

Section I classes are from 8am to 10am, while Section II classes are from 10am to 12pm.

PSS buses will be provided. Satellite stations are:

■ SSHS student dropoff and pickup point is the bus stop near Hannam Market in Koblerville.

## Marpi Landfill, transfer station closed today

In observance of Independence Day today, July 4, 2013, the Lower Base Refuse Transfer Station and the Marpi Landfill will be closed all day. Regular schedule will resume on Friday, July 5, 2013, from 7:30am to 11:30am, and 12:30pm to 4pm. (PR)

are when we factor in our history. From my perspective history is very practical. It's not just something for *Trivial Pursuits* or some game. It's something that allows us to make wiser decisions."

The 40-hour history research workshop conducted by Hattori last week attracted eight participants: UoG student Ignacio Dela Cruz, Garapan Elementary School teachers Jonathan Ball and Marlyn J. Tenorio, NMC instructor Guadalupe C. Borja-Robinson, Motheread/Fatheread coordinator Bryan Manabat, San Vicente Elementary School teacher Maria Takai, Public School System's Jennifer Welton, and Frank Stewart.

Among the research topics the students submitted were a history of rice in the Marianas; CNMI anthem history; *haole* teachers in CNMI classroom; the social significance of local songs written by local singers; land tenure: who brought up the provision for the inclusion of land alienation prohibition; Chamorro and Carolinian shared culture; Chamorro marriage practices; and history of the CNMI political status.

Hattori teaches courses on the history of Guam, Micronesia, and the Pacific, as well as historical research and theory, and is the author of *Colonial Disease: U.S. Navy Health Policies and the Chamorros of Guam, 1898-1941*. (Mark Rabago)



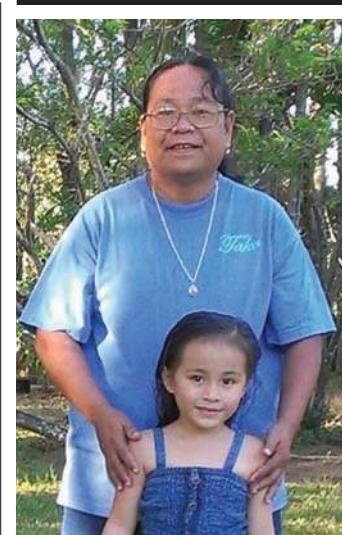
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## DPS warns of increased jellyfish stings on Managaha

The Department of Public Safety issued yesterday a public safety alert to inform tourists and residents of the Northern

Mariana Islands that there have been several reports of jellyfish stings off the shores of Managaha Island.

DPS would like to advise all swimmers of the dangers of jellyfish stings. Anyone who believes they have been stung by

jellyfish should flush the area with vinegar and seek medical attention immediately.

DPS also advises tourists and residents to use extreme caution when swimming and report any

possible jellyfish sightings to the Department of Public Safety.

Among the symptoms of a jellyfish sting are shortness of breath and irritation associated with pain in the contact area. In

some cases victims may experience high blood pressure.

For further information or to report a jellyfish sighting, contact the department at 664-9182. (DPS)

## \$560K supplemental funds for airport projects OK'd

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Various airport projects on three islands will receive additional funding for their full completion after the Commonwealth Ports Authority board of directors approved a supplemental budget request amounting to over half a million dollars.

Acting CPA executive director MaryAnn Lizama told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday that the supplemental budget is primarily for projects such as the Tinian and Saipan seawater firefighting systems, airport terminal maintenance on all three islands and costs associated

with emergency repairs at each terminal, and other pertinent equipment needed to ensure employees are provided the resources they need to do their work efficiently and effectively.

*Saipan Tribune* learned that the board approved \$568,000

### DPW Channel Bridge red-flagged

The Division of Environmental Quality has raised the red flag on the DPW Channel Bridge on Saipan and is warning the public not to fish or swim within 300 feet of this location for the next 48 hours or until otherwise notified.

Samples collected from this site contained excessive concen-

trations of fecal indicator bacteria (enterococci) that exceeded the CNMI Marine Water Quality Standards. These bacteria can indicate the presence of human and animal waste in the water.

DEQ analyzes water samples collected from Saipan's recreational beaches and storm drainages every Wednesday. (DEQ)

amounting to \$194,296. The remaining will go to the repair and maintenance of the baggage handling system and waterline repairs for \$93,521; operation's repairs and maintenance, \$15,500; and for official vehicle use, \$43,141.

The Tinian airport will get the next highest amount of \$162,918 for at least nine items, including utility costs amounting to \$111,230. Other projects and related expenses approved

for Tinian are supplies and materials for its firefighting unit, \$27,000; supplies and materials for the terminal, \$15,688; repairs and maintenance, \$2,000; and diesel fuel, \$2,000.

The Rota airport will get \$58,909 for the following purposes: professional services, \$23,521; terminal maintenance and repairs, \$10,995; laptop computer with accessories, \$1,700; and for department's

vehicle use, \$22,693.

In an interview with board finance committee chair Frances Mafnas, she explained that the "supplemental request is made for those projects that were either already expended and was never budgeted or those with no supplemental budget to support the expenditure."

The supplemental budget will be funded by the agency's operating revenues.



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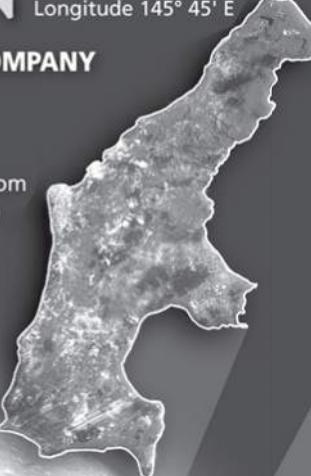


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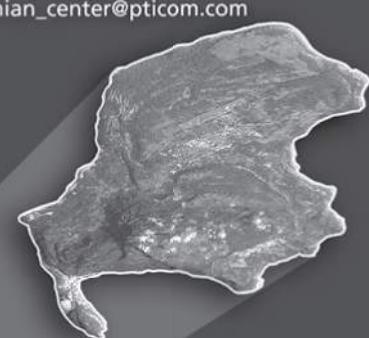
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## Flashback

### A LOOK BACK AT PAST YEARS' HEADLINES

**July 4, 2005**

#### Community ready for Liberation Day

Tents, tables, and family picnics became a common sight along Beach Road, Garapan over the weekend, as a number of families on Saipan temporarily left their homes and camped out by the beach in preparation for the 2005 Liberation Parade today. Some families slept on tables under pavilions as early as Friday to reserve the space of their choice in watching the parade, which usually attracts hundreds of spectators-residents and tourists alike. Forty-nine-year-old Ric Cabrera of As Terlaje put up sleeping tents Saturday night, together with his family and those of his in-laws.

#### Drinking beer lands man behind bars

For drinking six cans of beer, a former Marianas Visitors Authority employee is now in federal custody and will serve four months in prison and 32 months of probation. The U.S. District Court ordered Friday the imprisonment of Eric J.M. Hofsneider, who admitted that he failed to refrain from the use of any alcoholic beverages, a condition of supervised release as part of the federal court's 2002 sentence. In 2002, the court had sentenced him to three years imprisonment for conviction on failure to declare a firearm sometime in 2001. The sentence included three years of supervised release.

**July 4, 2006**

#### Govt layoffs may spare some

Some temporary workers may be spared from termination after the government found that little savings would result from laying them off. Press secretary Charles P. Reyes Jr. disclosed that this point was raised during yesterday's Cabinet meeting. Reyes quoted Attorney General Matthew T. Gregory as saying that some excepted service employees have accrued enough annual leave to last them until the fiscal year ends on Sept. 30, 2006.

#### MVA beefs up marketing staff

Tasked with the big job of raising tourist arrivals to 1 million by 2008, the Marianas Visitors Authority has begun adding up on personnel, starting with its marketing team. Acting MVA managing director Tess Castro said three marketing assistants who can speak Japanese, Korean, and Chinese were hired recently. They are Henry Sasaki, a former employee of Japan Airlines, for the Japanese market; Unhui Kim Babauta for the Korean market; and Leng Bai for the China market. "We wanted to hire people who can speak the languages of the people we're trying to reach. It's all part of our efforts to implement our five-year strategic plan," said Castro in an interview.

**July 4, 2007**

#### House backs suspension of tax incentive program

The House of Representatives has passed a bill suspending the qualifying certificate program for a year and a half. Under the program, tax benefits are given to entice businesses to put up new investments in the CNMI or to assist existing investors in expanding their operations. House Bill 15-125 would suspend this investment incentive for 18 months. Rep. Ray N. Yumul introduced the bill. Reps. Jesus SN. Lizama and Arnold I. Palacios are co-sponsors. House members recently voted to approve the bill. It will become law after it is approved by the Senate and then signed by the governor. Several hotels have been granted the qualifying certificate since it was established in December 2000.

#### Justices place redistricting petition under advisement

The CNMI Supreme Court yesterday heard the petition to reapportion legislative seats prior to the November 2007 midterm election and placed the matter under advisement. After listening to the arguments by parties involved in the petition, chief justice Miguel S. Demapan said the High Court recognizes that the issues presented are very critical to the Commonwealth, with a need to fast track the case. "You will be expecting our decision very soon," said Demapan, who presided over the petition with associate justices Alejandro Castro and John A. Manglona. Sen. Maria Pangelinan and Tina Sablan filed the petition, asking the court to redistribute House seats based on the current number of eligible voters in the Commonwealth.

## Given a choice, Flores wants capped medians jack-hammered

Given the chance, Saipan Mayor Donald G. Flores would like the capped medians in front of Saipan World Resort in Susupe and Hopwood Junior High School in Chalan Piao jack-hammered.

In an interview at the opening of the 2013 Liberation Day festivities on Friday, Flores expressed frustration about what he described as the Tourism Task Force's "wasted time and effort" in beautifying the islands.

He said one of the components of their beautification drive is planting flowers and small plants on medians along Beach Road.

"My office, in coordination with the Tourism Task Force for the beautification of the island

and also with travel agents and the Marianas Visitors Authority, intend to improve our islands to make it more attractive by planting flowers along Beach Road," he said.

He pointed out that tourists deserve more than just concrete on the roads, hence his disappointment after the Department of Public Works pushed ahead with its project to pour concrete on "these beautiful spaces for flowers."

"Other than island visitors who seem to enjoy the revegetated medians, our own people have also come up to me and commended the task force for its Hafadai Project. The flowers and other plants we planted in the corner of Oleai have gotten the most praise." (Mark Rabago)

### GOVERNOR TO LEGISLATURE:

## 'Consider measure to fund credit union withdrawals'

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Gov. Eloy S. Inos asked the Legislature Tuesday to consider an appropriations bill that would help the Commonwealth Government Employees Credit Union pay out its members with pending requests to withdraw their contributions and who have no delinquent loans with the credit union.

House Speaker Joseph Deleon Guerrero (IR-Saipan) said the governor's recommendation is being considered.

"The idea is if we can find a way to pay them, perhaps through special appropriation, and then let the government handle the receivables. There's about \$200,000 to \$300,000 that needs to be paid out to these em-

ployees who don't have loans and we have about \$600,000 from receivables so the idea is to pay them and then collect the money," Deleon Guerrero told reporters after a joint leadership meeting with the governor on Capitol Hill.

Press secretary Angel Demapan separately said it is now up to the Legislature to consider the governor's proposal.

Demapan, the credit union's board chairman, said the proposed appropriations bill would help pay out credit union members with no delinquent loans.

"Those with loans, we are going to have to collect from them... The biggest problem for the credit union is almost all but seven of borrowers are delinquent. So that's been the biggest pain to the credit

union—going after delinquent borrowers," Demapan added.

He had said that some 300 credit union members have pending requests to withdraw their contributions from the union. But refunds have not been allowed since last year until an audit is completed for the organization.

Demapan said yesterday that the audit has yet to be completed.

Formed in 1995, the credit union is a member-owned, non-profit cooperative financial institution where members pool their savings, lend them to one another, and own the organization where they save, borrow, and obtain related financial services. Its operation is being sustained by its members' deposits and loan payments.

## Bill seeks to criminalize sale, resale of AAFES items

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Rep. Christopher Leon Guerrero (Cov-Saipan) has introduced a bill that would criminalize the selling and reselling of products bought from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, commonly known as trooper store.

House Bill 18-88 or the AAFES Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act of 2013 is now under committee review.

Leon Guerrero said some businesses licensed to sell alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, and other merchandise have been improperly selling or reselling products obtained from the AAFES.

"There are no current provisions that allow for the criminal prosecution of this behavior that would serve as both a deterrent and punishment for these activities that are harmful to both the business community and the general welfare of the Commonwealth," he said in his bill.

The bill also authorizes the CNMI Department of Com-

merce's Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Control Division, the Department of Public Safety, and the Office of the Attorney General to enforce and prosecute violations of the proposed law.

Under the bill, any licensee, his agent, or employee violating the law could be fined not less than \$1,000 and/or imprisoned for at least 90 days for each violation.

Subsequent violations within a two-year period could result in immediate revocation of Alcoholic Beverage Control Board license.

Those convicted twice or more within a two-year period could not be allowed to hold any class of license for five years from the date of the most recent conviction.

Leon Guerrero said AAFES products contain a unique bar code that is distinct from bar codes on products sold by local distributors and wholesalers.

AAFES, according to Leon Guerrero, exists solely for the use and benefit of its authorized

patrons, which include active duty military, retirees, reservists, National Guard personnel, U.S. Department of Defense employees when stationed outside the continental United States, U.S. Department of State officials serving in foreign countries, and dependents of these individuals with issued ID cards.

AAFES prohibits its patrons from selling or reselling items brought from the trooper store.

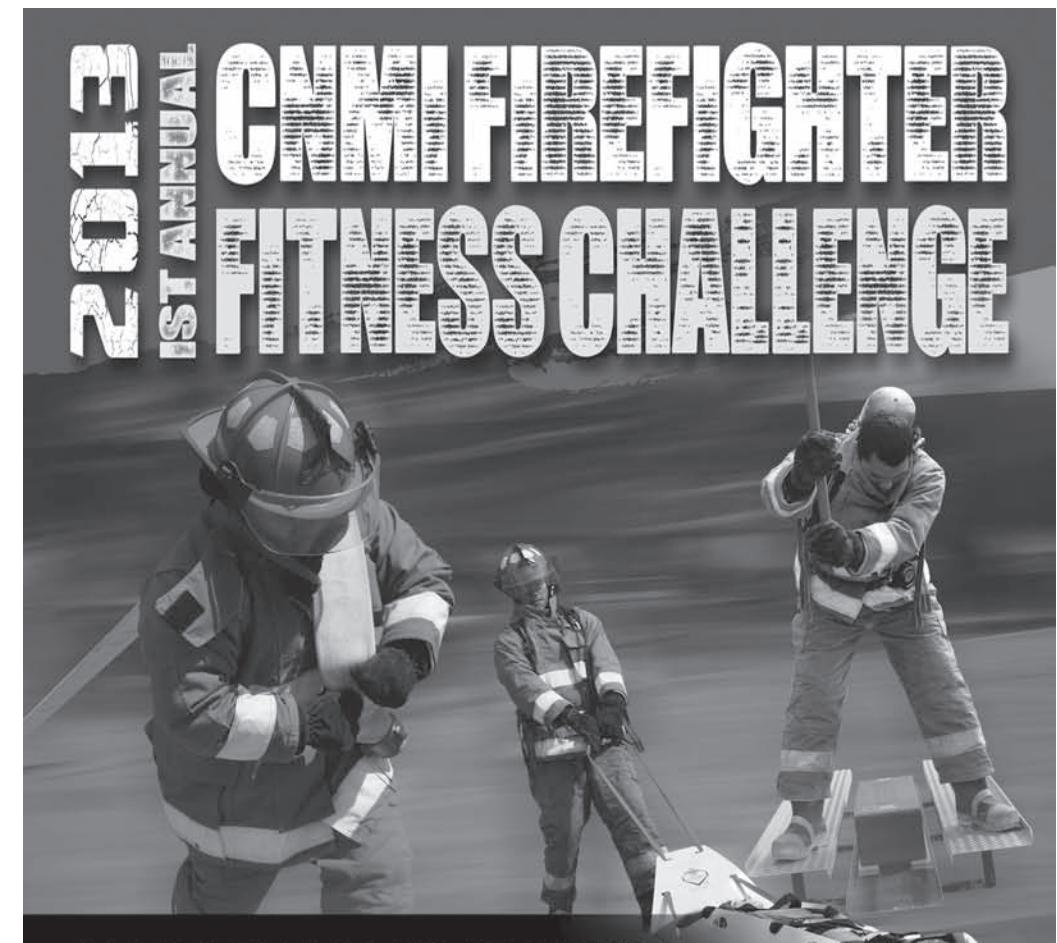
Leon Guerrero said those engaging in the sale or resale of AAFES items do so "to the detriment of the distributors, wholesalers and retailers engaging in legitimate transactions who are forced to compete with the below market price of the AAFES merchandise."

The Saipan Chamber of Commerce, the largest business organization in the CNMI, has long been calling for the enactment of CNMI law and adoption of regulations to punish those who engage in selling or reselling items bought from AAFES.



### STRENGTHENING STEM EDUCATION

Northern Marianas College science instructor Matthew Crane, third from left, recently attended the Indigenous Fellows Institute held at Guam Community College with representatives from other institutions. The purpose of the event, which was hosted by GCC in collaboration with the National Partnership for Environmental Technology Education, is to assist STEM faculty from two-year tribal and Pacific Rim colleges and high schools strengthen STEM education with a focus on environmental technology by offering various trainings and grants. Information collected at this event will also be used to update science courses offered at NMC.



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## EDITORIAL

### Is Egypt headed for a military coup?

In 2011, Egyptians poured into the streets of Cairo and other cities demanding that the military give up power and make way for a democratic revolution. This week, they came out again—to demand that the first elected president in the nation's long history step down. Oh, and this time they have the military on their side.

On Monday, the armed forces gave President Mohammed Morsi 48 hours to reach some agreement with the opposition or face a uniformed takeover to set the country on a different path.

The mass protests are a heartening sign that the people of Egypt are not willing to accept the president's centralization of power in his hands or his party's vision of a more Islamist regime. Equally welcome is that the rallies were largely peaceful and festive. It was a show of popular sentiment that the government cannot afford to ignore.

But the army's response, however appealing to Egyptians disgusted with Morsi, is no solution. It threatens not only to undo the country's progress toward democracy but invite civil war.

Morsi has been losing popularity at least since late last year, when he asserted his right to act without judicial review and pushed through a new constitution drafted mostly by fellow Islamists. Aggravating discontent is the dire state of the economy, which suffers from high inflation, shortages of electricity and gasoline, and rising unemployment.

There is not much doubt that most Egyptians are dissatisfied with the president's performance. The central demand for him in the protests? "Leave." The huge turnouts Sunday put heavy pressure on Morsi to backtrack from his more authoritarian steps—or even bring opposition figures into the government in an effort to bridge the deep rifts he has opened up in Egyptian society.

But the opposition shouldn't overplay its hand. For the public to demand the removal of the first president elected by the people would be a grave setback for Egyptian democracy. And it would cast doubt on the tenure of the next leader chosen by the people. Better for Morsi's critics to focus on the parliamentary elections that are supposed to be held this year. That will be a chance to gain a measure of control over which direction the nation takes.

A military coup would be the worst option of all. Secularists who rebel at the regime's Islamist agenda should have no trouble remembering the dangers of letting the armed forces regain power. The generals may see their interests coinciding with the opposition's now—but after a coup, they will put the needs of the military first.

Evicting those representing the Muslim Brotherhood would not eliminate the support it has among the people. It would merely push them to pursue their goals by other means. It would not solve the basic problem: the sharply divergent goals of different groups. Finding ways to compromise is the essence of democracy.

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## Patriotism

Francis Bellamy, a Baptist pastor in 1892, wrote: *I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands, one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*

He considered including *equality* and *fraternity* into the Pledge but knowing that equality for women and African Americans was still a majority "no-no," he was more intent to get the state superintendents of education in the committee that approved the pledge, than he was in furthering his political cause.

Upon acceptance, edited to read "my Flag and to the Republic," it was recited for 30 years in American classrooms. In 1923, it was changed to "the Flag of the United States," and a year later, "of America" was added to "the United States," until 1954, when to "one Nation indivisible" was added the phrase "under God." The United States Congress started uttering the pledge in 1942. The pledge has become a statement of patriotism.

Love of country has also become a staple serving of civilizations' megalomaniacs. Alexander the Great who started our social familiar is known as *Alexandro Megos*, "megos" meaning "great," with the word as the root of what is observed as an obsession in the exercise of power, a mental delusion about one's power or importance, megalomania.

Alexander might be considered one of competent greatness along with the Caesars Julius and Augustus. Cleopatra was a conniving female counterpart who orchestrated the killing of her less competent brother so she could rule.

In our time, Mao Zedong, with his portrait gracing all current renminbi bills, is considered in many quarters as a very competent megalomaniac who united a disparate and desperate China from the ravages of rapacious Western civilization and westernizing Meiji Japan.

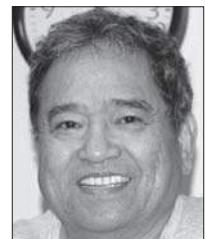
Though we grew up being partial to Pat Boone over Elvis Presley, we were prejudiced against "Tricky Dick" Nixon who is a better Republican than his current counterparts. His megalomania energized and brought him down. FDR was a remarkable presence whose achievements in domestic reorganization and successful waging of war deserve a place in the pantheon of exceptional American citizens. His five terms in office, comfort with power and wielding it, a talent for mobilizing population, he may be counted among the successful "good kings" in the history of civilization as opposed to the "bad kings" we like to label Caligula, Hitler, Stalin and Idi Amin! Male or female, for good or ill, famous wielders of power illustrate the personal mode we call megalomania in a social ambience that encourages what we call "civilization."

Ordinary members of a civilization honor this megalomania, identify with it, and derive personal satisfaction in supporting it. Its face today is patriotism. It values competition over cooperation, with power wielding preference to the male, female counterparts

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Special to the Saipan Tribune

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acting and dressing up in definite masculine overtones. It promotes social ladder climbing rather than encouraging an appropriate choice of vocation.

There is megalomania in the passion for excessive wealth and in achieving celebrity and notoriety of all kinds. Civilization and megalomania go together. When there is a top-down social stratification, megalomania resides at its core. While we claim to honor democracy, we tolerate the Koch brothers' influence on one side, and the picture of Bill Gates and Steve Jobs on the other.

Our current political challenge is not to find another megalomaniac of any variety from FDR to Obama who will save us, but to work together to build something better than the socially stratified civilization of our familiarity.

One of my heroes is recorded to have said: *You know that in the world the recognized leaders rule over subjects, and great ones make others feel the weight of authority. That is not the way with you: among you, whoever wants to be great must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be the willing slave of all.*

I once used the same image to illustrate my career choice in an interview with a Saipan psychiatrist. She saw the first part and ignored the second. I was reported to my ecclesiastical superior as having megalomaniac tendencies! Self-reference to the "peons" of megalomania are always read as self-serving.

I was tickled but my Bishop was not amused. Megalomania after all is historically a prerogative of the episcopacy. *Iesu* and his enlightened followers exemplified a new kind of power, that of servanthood, and solidarity with others who allow creative and democratic use of consciousness, talents, and opportunities without resorting to the allure of megalomania.

The Pledge will be widely repeated this Fourth of July in America. On the train ride to Chengdu this weekend, I noticed the preservation of old structures with the cross in front, or on steeples. Having foreseen the institutional company of the followers of the Galilean carpenter, with their unending edifice complexes, perhaps, it is time to influence the message content within those structures.

"One nation under God, indivisible" is the current reading of the Pledge. That would be understood as the paramount power of servanthood by the shores of Galilee. I think I will be patriotic today!

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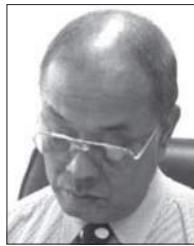
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## Ruplanun Piao

By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.

Special to the Saipan Tribune

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**N**ai klaru na kara' (broke) i kahan iya Marianas, man-mamatinas hit ruplanun piao puede gumupu ya hayute' kostat salape' ginen i aire taiguie i Christmas Drop militat antes.

Ta soda' dispues na ti siña gumupu i ruplanuta sa' tai makina. Pues man-gaddon hit ta'lu gi fache' kara'. Esta ta u'pus i lañget humasuye haf' mauleg na atte.

Ilegña i unu na yangin tana' gupu i ruplanun Marianas, mauleg tana' sugu gi batkon dañkulu ni mafanana'an Aircraft Carrier 'nai manutunog i ruplanun gera.

Ta sufa' ta'lu dos trompison: 1). Tai makina i ruplanu-ta. 2). Tai talen lulog kosake siña maganchu 'an tumunog gi aircraft carrier, un' dañkulu na batkon gera ni gai plasa.

Pues mana'lu hit tatte gi seru na guinifen Christmas Drop. Ilegña un' prohimu: "Haf' mohon ya ta pegaye layag i ruplanu, u gupu?" Deste ke mafanaguyu' trabiha ti hu lili' e ruplanun layag! A' Saina!

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Este ruplanun piao mafatinas ni un' grupon tautau giya Papua New Guinea gihe na sakau 'nai ti mattu i batkon airen militat manute' regalu. Mafanana'an "cargo cult mentality"—hineñgge na yangin man-mamatinas ruplanun piao siña ha yute' regalu ginen i

mapagahes. Esta pa'gu ti gumugupu i ruplanu!

## I kanton unai arkipelago

Guaha besis na hu bisita i kanton tasi pot para bai' li'e i bonitun unai, pajaru gi aire, ma'lag mapagahes gi lañget yan felisitasion para i manalalaya.

Umensinahayu' para i papa' nuhuñg 'nai fresku i guinaifen mañglu'. Sige hu rikonose kattan yan luchan haf' gaige guife na kanton tasi.

Hu fagcha'e 'nos kuantos talayeru ni numa'eyu' dididi' kelaguenhu tiao. Kustumbren tanu ni sumen nama'aggem gi halom tautau-ta.

Sige bisita (turista) man-palapa gi halom tasi mientras i pumalu mata' siha gi inai. Chumaleg maisayu' 'nai hu hassu haf' mohon ya mali'eyu' ni man-atuñgohu na hu tatala'yu' lokue gi inai? Magpu' i nobenan 'las dose ya guahu ha' siempre mafa' ami ni tropa.

'Nai hu tulusyu' para bai' hanau, hu rikonose ta'lu un' biahe kau guaha kostat salape' kumilulog halom gi kantun unai pot para bai' presenta kumu apas dibin Marianas. In hassu na esta lokaña inapalo'pu' dibi ke hegsu' I Deni? \$740 miyon pesos?

Ni un' kostat gaige solu buente gi guinefiu pot munton dibi gi ge'hiu'!

## I amiguhu Magoo

Humanau i amiguhu Magoo man-apase dibin kandet yan hanom. Fumofofu gi hineyoñgña sa' malachai-gue' mafinu' Iñglisi. Hu hoñu' pot para baina' finu Amerikanu.

Ha sañgan grasiaña, "Ilegña este guatu (empleau CUC) 'If you no pay CUC, you come and see me'".

Hu faisen haf' binabafña finu' i empleau.

Ilegña, "Hafa asañgane este mage (why did she tell me) 'you come and see me' lau esta guaha asaguña este mage (But I have a wife already)?" Lehitimu fino'ña lau chatkomprende ni finu' Iñglis.

Debi ha' bai' esplika gi espesiat na finu' Chamorro i mansañgan.

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Puti lumi'e prohimumu ni ti tumuñgu' manaitai. Hu li'e este gi un' amiguhu ni dese chatagmag mamahan gasetta ni ha dagau gi hilu' lamasa. Ha nañgga pa'gu haye tumuñgu' manaitai ya maimaisen haf' guaha. Finagcha'e un' biahe mattu i magaseta gi primet pahina pot ti man-apase dibi.

"Nai sumugu' kinafe, duru fina'um ni tai mamahlauña.

Ilegña i magaseta, "Hu'u lahe lau dese ñgai'an 'nai tataitai hau gasetta?"

Pot para u defendegue' sige ha tanchu' i primet estoria gi sanme'na. Ai na grasia guife na oga'an. Lau, felis para i prohimu ni animuña kumetuñgu' haf' masusesede.

## Chetnot dinalag

Sumen puti chetnot dinalag. Kanaha' todu cha'otña kontodu gupun lalu' yan ñamu. Piot ya linabla ni timilaikan homhum mapagahes. Mas puti sa' esta ataga' na pogpug gi koventuran katkuet adeñg. Hu li'e i amiguhu umesalau mamatai 'nai duru halom i patgon para u tiniegog. Ai na a'gañg esalau 'nai ha a'agañg i asaguña para una' suha i patgon gi fihon katre.

Ni guiya mismu no siakassu gi chetnotña. 'Nai manayane kaddon patas guaka, duru ha gulusune yan pairen finadeni'. Una ora dispues duru ta'lu umuguñg ni putin koventuran adeñgña.

Cha'otña sustansiau na kaddu piot patas guaka. Lau ha usune 'nos pot nesessidat alimientu lau pot ambenteria. Esta ti chetnot dinalag. Klaru na chetnot ambeteria. De dios mihu!

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Sige man-sabiu mañguentos pot "presetbasion" finu' Chamorro. Haf' na para tafa' ukoko' (pickle) 'sino inasnen tukun i liñguah? Na ti mas propiu i diariu na usuña? Na ti este umatasa mas appliñg na finu' Chamorro yan Iñglis 'nai sessu mana' atotpe? Manu guine 'nai gaige benefisiu para i famaguon tanu' gi mesklau na usun finu' Chamorro yan Iñglis? A' Saina!

## Assimilation fears should not hinder immigration reform

By HELEN B. MARROW and TOMAS R. JIMENEZ

LOS ANGELES TIMES

**N**ow that the Senate has passed its immigration bill, the future of reform lies in the hands of the GOP-led House, where the debate will center on allowing a path to citizenship for 11 million immigrants living in this country without legal status. Opponents of this path often claim that low-skilled Mexicans, who make up the largest subgroup, are not fitting into U.S. society—that they don't want to assimilate and are fated to remain a permanent underclass.

Solid evidence suggests these claims are untrue. Many Mexican immigrants and their children have traveled paths to becoming full Americans that, even if slower, are not unlike the paths followed previously by European immigrants. And when parents have legal status, their children do better in school and become fully productive members of American society more quickly.

For social scientists, the question of immigrant assimilation is testable. By observing the experiences of Mexican immigrants from first-generation new arrivals through their second-generation children, third-generation grandchildren and so on, the extent to which they become similar to people in the rest of society and integrate into the mainstream becomes apparent.

For Mexicans, who have been immigrating to the United States for a century, the historical moment of arrival and the number of generations removed from the immigrant generation are crucial parts of the story. When accounting for both, the best analyses suggest cautious optimism. Each passing generation of Mexican Americans does better than the one before at making economic gains and progressing toward full integration into U.S. society.

One comprehensive study published in 2008 tracks Mexican Americans' experiences in the large Mexican centers of Los Angeles and San Antonio, where sociologists Edward Telles and Vilma Ortiz found significant and steady upward educational mobility. On average, first-generation parents completed just 4.1 years school in the 1900s to 1930s. Their second-generation children completed 10 years in the 1930s to 1950s, and their third-generation grandchildren completed 13.1 years of school in the 1950s to 1980s. Later-generation Mexican Americans also narrowed the gaps in educational attainment with non-Latino whites to 1.3 years from 3.4 years.

Those historical findings are echoed in another study by Julie Park, Dowell Myers and Tomas Jimenez that looked at more recent Mexican immigrants. In 1980, just one-fifth of immigrants ages 25 to 44 had completed high school. In 2005, when second-generation children of immigrants reached the same age range, more than four-fifths had graduated. Similar generational improvements also were seen in wages earned, rates of homeownership and percent living

above the poverty line. The gaps between Mexican immigrants and non-Latino whites declined from the first to second generation in all areas (except for homeownership, where no gap exists).

Rates of intermarriage reflect declining social barriers between groups perhaps more than any other indicator. Across generations, Mexican Americans increasingly marry partners from other ethnic and racial backgrounds, usually non-Latino whites. Even in Los Angeles and San Antonio—where many people of Mexican heritage live, thereby increasing chances for marriages within the ethnic group—roughly 1 in 3 third- and fourth-generation Mexican Americans are married to someone from another background.

No one should underestimate the challenges Mexicans from a humble background face when they move to the U.S.—especially in today's economy, in which low-skilled jobs are scarce. Their children can face ethnic prejudices. They often do not have access to top-quality education.

But even in light of the struggles, it is important to highlight the progress of many Mexican Americans. Indeed, they have made this uphill climb in spite of greater challenges than those faced by earlier, European immigrants. An extensive historical study published by sociologist Cybelle Fox in 2012 shows that Europeans who came at the turn of the 20th century were far more likely to receive government aid than Mexicans or blacks, regardless of need. Local relief officials also protected European immigrants from federal agents who were investigating public aid recipients during the Depression. In stark contrast, officials repatriated Mexican immigrants and their U.S.-born offspring, who also faced Jim Crow-like racism in many parts of the country.

For contemporary Mexican immigrants and their U.S.-born children, the biggest challenge to assimilation is illegal status. A 2012

study by sociologist Roberto Gonzales shows that illegal status prevents aspiring immigrant youths from attending many U.S. colleges or working in the jobs they have been preparing for. After high school, their fortunes converge with those of less-educated immigrants, and their belief that hard work and good grades will pay off shatters.

The chance to obtain legal status would clearly improve these youths' psychological and economic prospects. Recent research by sociologist Frank Bean and colleagues at UC Irvine shows that legalizing the status of Mexican newcomers—a central tenet of the Senate bill—is one of the best ways to encourage and accelerate their progress. In Los Angeles, the child of a Mexican mother here without legal status attains, on average, just 11.5 years of schooling—in other words, he or she drops out of high school. But a child of comparable background whose Mexican mother has been able to legalize her status finishes, on average, 13 years—enough to graduate from high school and get some college-level training. Legalization was also shown to slightly raise the educational levels of these immigrants' grandchildren.

So whatever the rhetoric, the House needs to realize this: When Mexicans have the opportunity to live and work legally in the United States, the new arrivals and their descendants are more likely to overcome disadvantages and, as immigrants have always done, become strong and constructive contributors to our diverse society. Don't stand in the way.

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that CPA has chosen the best qualified candidate for the executive director position.

If the subsequent re-announcement of this position does not pull in more applicants, then obviously the community has resigned to the fact that this is all politics. Let CPA think this over and allow for the re-announcement of this position in the desire for fair play and good public relations. Ignoring this would mean that Mr. Diego Benavente was shoehorned to this position. I would bank that re-announcing this position would draw other interested applicants and that would be good for the CNMI and CPA. Let there be fair play and truthful competition for this job. There is nothing to lose because CPA will learn to do the right thing by leveling the playing field for all that are willing to contribute for the goodness and betterment of CPA.

**Francisco R. Agulto**  
Kannat Tabla, Saipan

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Leveling the playing field

The CPA executive director position is now known to be down to two applicants. One applicant is certainly the favored person for this position. I have no problem with Mr. Diego Benavente—as a matter of fact he is a very close relative of mine. The other applicant has the same desire of contributing to the growth and ongoing concern of the CPA enterprise.

The problem is that there are insufficient names on the list of eligible candidates for this position. Even if the groomed and favored applicant is obvious, re-announcing this position for the sole purpose of attracting a sufficient number of qualified applicants of at least five perspective candidates would be justified and would mean

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# The Weather

## 5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Partly cloudy with isolated showers. East winds 5 to 15 mph.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers. East winds 5 to 10 mph.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
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## Micronesia

Guam and Rota	Thundershowers	▲ 89 ▼ 81
Palau	Showers	▲ 85 ▼ 76
Yap	Showers	▲ 92 ▼ 77
Chuuk	Mostly Sunny	▲ 86 ▼ 79
Pohnpei	Sunny	▲ 86 ▼ 76
Kosrae	Sunny	▲ 86 ▼ 76
Majuro	Sunny	▲ 85 ▼ 79

## Around The Globe

Auckland	Showers	▲ 61 ▼ 49
Beijing	Partly Cloudy	▲ 91 ▼ 71
Hong Kong	Partly Cloudy	▲ 88 ▼ 82
Honolulu	Sunny	▲ 83 ▼ 71
London	Partly Cloudy	▲ 72 ▼ 57
Los Angeles	Partly Cloudy	▲ 80 ▼ 66
Manila	Thundershowers	▲ 89 ▼ 80
Melbourne	Sunny	▲ 62 ▼ 46
Miami	Thundershowers	▲ 85 ▼ 79
New York	Thundershowers	▲ 83 ▼ 73
Osaka	Thunderstorms	▲ 85 ▼ 77
Paris	Partly Cloudy	▲ 74 ▼ 62
Pusan	Thunderstorms	▲ 80 ▼ 74
Rome	Showers	▲ 79 ▼ 67
Salem	Sunny	▲ 88 ▼ 52
San Francisco	Partly Cloudy	▲ 73 ▼ 62
Seoul	Thundershowers	▲ 83 ▼ 73
Tokyo	Thundershowers	▲ 83 ▼ 76
Washington, DC	Mostly Sunny	▲ 90 ▼ 74

## Tides

Saipan Harbor		
4:50 AM	Today	High Tide: 1.8 Feet
12:31 PM	Today	Low Tide: 0.0 Feet
7:41 PM	Today	High Tide: 1.6 Feet

## Sunrise/Sunset

Sunrise/Sunset			Moonrise/Moonset		
Today	5:51 AM	6:51 PM	Today	2:27 AM	3:33 PM
Friday	5:51 AM	6:52 PM	Friday	3:13 AM	4:22 PM
Saturday	5:52 AM	6:52 PM	Saturday	4:00 AM	5:10 PM
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## FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF MAY 23, 2013

### DEPARTURES

#### SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)

UA5070	4:35am	5:25am	2, 4, 6, 7
UA5062	4:50am	5:40am	1, 3, 5
UA5068	8:35am	9:25am	Daily
UA5074	11:20am	12:10pm	1, 4, 5, 7
UA5076	3:10pm	4:00pm	Daily
UA5078	6:55pm	7:45pm	Daily
UA5072	9:45pm	10:35pm	Daily

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#### GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA 5069	2:45am	3:35am	2, 4, 6, 7
UA5071	7:15am	8:05am	Daily
UA5073	10:00am	10:50am	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7
UA5075	1:45pm	2:35pm	1, 4, 5, 7
UA5077	5:35pm	6:25pm	Daily
UA5079	8:20pm	9:10pm	Daily

#### ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN

UA5062	3:45am	4:20am	1, 3, 5
UA5038	11:15am	11:50am	6

#### SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)

DL287	6:05am	8:45am	Daily
DL297	4:35pm	7:25pm	Daily

#### SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS)

0Z608	3:10am	6:20am	1, 4, 5, 7
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#### BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN

0Z607	9:05pm	1:55am+1	3, 4, 6, 7
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#### SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)

0Z606	2:20am	6:00

# APIL eyes health care insurance plan for Western Pacific



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Delegates of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures have their picture taken at the 32nd General Assembly on June 25-27, 2013, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

**HAGATNA**—A regional health care insurance plan for all citizens residing in the Western Pacific may soon be realized if a resolution adopted by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures comes to fruition. The resolution was introduced during the APIL's recently concluded 32nd General Assembly, June 25-27, 2013, in Honolulu, Hawaii.

APIL Resolution 32-GA-01, CD1, sponsored by Guam Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., in her capacity as the president of the APIL, resulted from a collaborative effort of her APIL colleagues and representatives from health insurance providers from Guam including StayWell, Moylan's NetCare, Calvo's SelectCare, and MiCare from the FSM and the Guam Regional Medical Center, who

presented before the APIL delegates and guests.

A representative from the U.S. Department of the Interior was in attendance as well and was encouraged by the idea.

"This resolution begins the process of really ensuring the people of our region have convenient access to affordable and quality healthcare," explained Won Pat.

If the concept of universal coverage through a regional health care network is realized, the financial strain on public hospitals such as the Guam Memorial Hospital would obviously decrease, Won Pat said.

She expressed her appreciation to the health care insurance providers representatives including former senator Frances Santos and Eric Plinski of StayWell, Troy Moylan and

former lieutenant governor Kaleo Moylan of NetCare, Frank Campillo and Gina Ramos of Select Care, Nene Nena of MiCare and Margaret Bengzon CEO of GRMS, for their collaborative efforts with her for the past several months to bring the issue of regional health care coverage to the forefront in APIL discussions; and for helping to make the 32nd General Assembly Conference of the APIL hugely successful

In the coming months, the APIL will gather consensus and data from the member entities and insurance companies doing business in the respective islands. It is hoped that Interior would see the benefit in a universal plan for the island communities in which it serves, and assist with the technical and

professional needs to effectuate the plan. A pilot concept of an Accountable Care Organization would then be launched and then expanded to serve the needs of all. Won Pat said she

hoped that the coverage called for through a regional health care network would be in place within the next two years.

APIL member entities include American Samoa, the

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the FSM states of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap, Guam, Marshall Islands, Palau, Hawaii, Kiribati, and Nauru. (PR)

## Mangibin congratulates revived Piney group on Tinian

Consul General Bayani V. Mangibin of the Philippine Consulate in Agana, Guam is happy that a long-dormant association for Filipinos on Tinian has been rebooted and congratulated the newly inducted officer of the United Filipinos Association or UniFil.

"I am deeply pleased to note that this organization, which was initially formed in 2006 with the aim of establishing closer ties among Filipinos in the island of Tinian, is once again flourishing with various activities that are directed to help not only the Filipino community on the island but also the entire island community as well," he said in his message read in absentia during the group's induction ceremony at Kammer Beach last Sunday.

UniFil is now led by Rodney S. Cabarles, nursing supervisor at the Tinian Health Center and a long-term resident of the island.

"It is indeed my hope that, under this new leadership, this orga-

nization will continue to strengthen itself toward more productive endeavors for the benefit of its members and the local residents of Tinian," added Mangibin.

The consul general also assured Filipinos on Tinian that, although the Philippine Consulate General in Guam is two plane rides away, he and his hardworking staff are implementing ways that will effectively address their needs despite the physical limitations.

To this end, the consulate will be doing mobile outreach services from Aug. 3 to 5 at the Tinian Dynasty Hotel and Casino's Tinian Hall.

"As we also prepare to conduct our first mobile consular outreach in Tinian, it is my hope that the UniFil will continue to work with us in order to provide much needed consular services to our *kababayans* [countrymen]," said Mangibin.

Aside from Cabarles also sworn in to two-year terms were vice president Mary Susan M.

Cruz, secretary Lizabeth B. Hofschneider, treasurer Teresita O. Sanchez, auditor Vicente C. Requiron Jr., business manager Vina M. Hofschneider, and public relations officers Vivian V. Hofschneider and Sydney Clifford S. Biton.

The organization's board of directors is also headed by Cabarles, who will serve as chairman, with members Joselito C. Lenteja, Benedicta L. Borja, Manuel D. Sencio, Rodelio D. Valiente, Renato V. Esteban, and Eddie Cannaoay.

Its board of advisers, meanwhile, is made up of Flaviano D. Guerrero, Corazon T. Cepeda, and Apollo M. Madriaga, who is the current PIO of the United Filipino Organization on Saipan and its many-time president.

The Philippine Consulate General on Saipan closed in October 2012 and jurisdiction over the CNMI's Filipino community now falls on the consulate general in Agana. (*Saipan Tribune*)

Eucon International College conducted a cleanup of Tank Beach in Kagman on Monday that yielded 100 lbs of garbage.

The school's vice president, Wayne Johnson, said the seven volunteers, including himself, picked up all sorts of trash at Tank Beach.

"We picked up everything from a dead animal to dirty diapers, cans, etc., but mainly plastic stuff especially plastic bottles and tops. This was the first time that we have done this event at Tank Beach," he said.

Johnson said they decided to do the beach cleanup in honor of all men and women serving in the military and especially those who sacrificed their lives in the name of freedom.

"As we celebrate the Fourth of July and our freedom, we remember the loss of men [and women's] lives on our island. Freedom is not free and the cost was high for many. Too many people have forgotten those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Our island is sacred ground where somebody lost their son, husband, father, brother, and uncle for the cause of freedom."

He said that cleaning a beach on Saipan is just a small pittance compared to what soldiers have sacrificed for the country.

"The least we can do is keep the land clean. We sing *God bless America*, land that we love, and if we truly love it, we would not pollute it. We need to keep America beautiful and free for others to

enjoy. We remember July 4th as our nation's birthday because we are able to freely believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior and practice our faith without interruption," he said.

As well as Johnson, other volunteers who participate in the activity were Richard Pitchford from Kansas, and Stacey Cole from Iowa. Both of them are on Saipan for the summer. Three Eucon students also took part in the cleanup, namely Marvin Ma, David Chen, Paul Gu, and Natasha Bruyako.

The cleanup at Tank Beach, which lasted 3pm to 6pm last Monday, will only be the first of many future cleanups Eucon is planning all throughout the island. (*Saipan Tribune*)



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Eucon International College vice president Wayne Johnson and summer intern Stacey Cole pose for a photo during the school's cleanup of Tank Beach in Kagman last Monday.

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Eucon's pre-4th of July cleanup yielded 100 lbs of trash according to vice president Wayne Johnson.





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# Expert: Soldier's wife died after a violent struggle

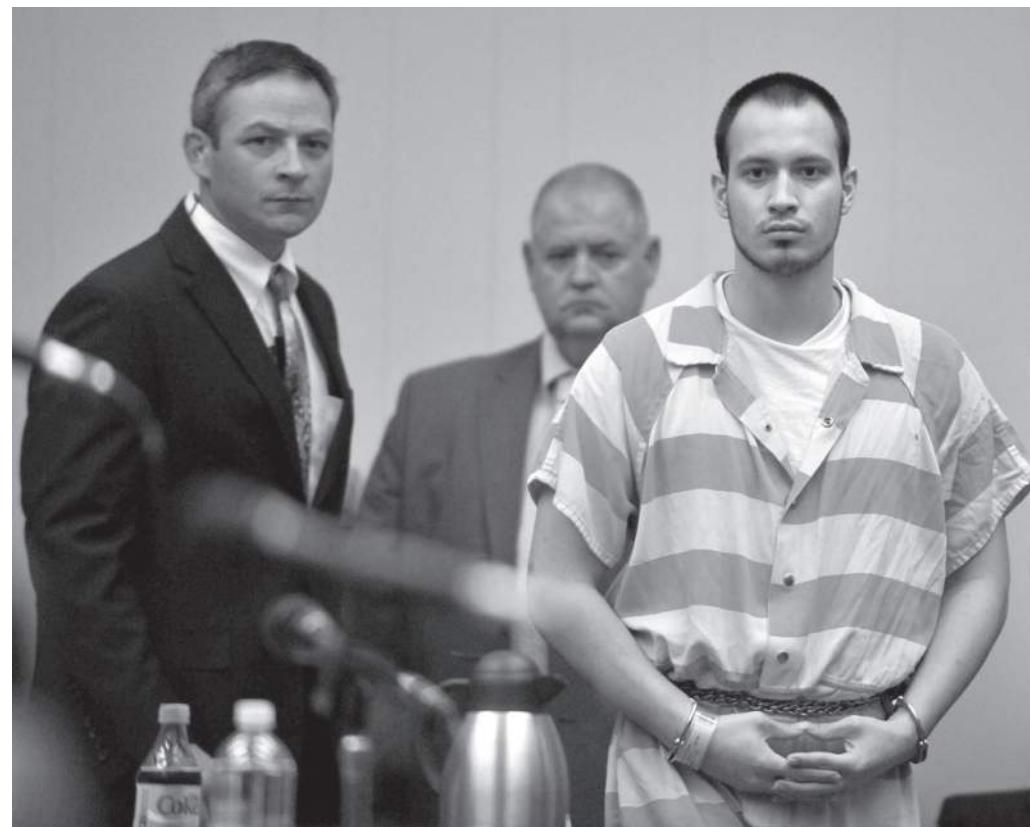
**FORT STEWART, Ga.** (AP)—A pregnant Army soldier struggled violently against handcuffs on her wrists and suffered blows to the head before she died from a lack of oxygen, likely caused by someone keeping her in a chokehold, a Georgia medical examiner said Tuesday.

Sgt. Deirdre Aguigui was found dead on July 17, 2011, at her apartment on Fort Stewart. The military charged her husband, Pvt. Isaac Aguigui, with murder in April and conducted a two-day hearing to determine if there's enough evidence to try him in court-martial.

A military autopsy on the 24-year-old woman was unable to determine a cause of death. But investigators got a second opinion from Dr. James Downs, a Savannah-based medical examiner for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation who agreed to look at the case earlier this year.

Using records and photos from the previous autopsy, Downs noted Deirdre Aguigui had a large, deep bruise above her left ear and more bruising on the inside of her lips and left cheek. Both wrists had raw scrapes and bruises that appeared to match a pair of handcuffs found on the couple's bed.

Downs said he concluded the woman was choked or suffocated by essentially ruling out other possible causes of death. Her heart appeared healthy, she



In this Aug. 30, 2012 file photo, Pvt. Isaac Aguigui walks into the courtroom during a preliminary hearing at Long County Superior Court in Ludowici, Ga. AP

showed no signs of allergic reaction and lab tests found no traces of poisons in her blood.

"If you put everything together, I think you would reasonably end up where I am, which is asphyxiation," said Downs, adding he could understand why military doctors hesitated to reach a similar conclusion. "I certainly can see somebody being not willing to make that call

and leave it undetermined."

A single, small scrape was the only mark found on the woman's neck. Lt. Cmdr Lisa Rivera, the military doctor who performed the autopsy, said it was likely caused by somebody putting pressure on it. But she said that easily could have been the paramedic who inserted a tube in the woman's throat.

Rivera said she stood by her conclusion that the medical evidence failed to point to asphyxiation or any other single cause of death.

"There were other possibilities," Rivera said, though she didn't name any. "Everyone in the office was in agreement it could not be narrowed down any further."

When Isaac Aguigui's Article 32 hearing, similar to a civilian

grand jury, opened Monday, Army investigators testified he received more than \$500,000 in life insurance and benefit payments after his wife died. Witnesses testified the couple had been fighting and considering divorce because of Aguigui's infidelity and drug use. An old girlfriend confirmed he sent her a text message hours before his wife died that said: "We'll have plenty of money. All I need is your body whenever I want it."

Civilian prosecutors in neighboring Long County say Aguigui used some of the money to buy guns and bomb components for an anti-government militia group he formed by recruiting other disgruntled soldiers. He and two other soldiers face the death penalty on civilian murder charges in the December 2011 slayings of former Army Pvt. Michael Roark and his 17-year-old girlfriend, Tiffany York. They were found shot in the woods of rural Long County near Fort Stewart just two days after Roark was discharged from the Army.

Military prosecutors made no mention of any militia connections. They said Aguigui killed his wife for money after tiring of his turbulent marriage.

They asked the hearing's presiding officer, Maj. John McLaughlin, to recommend that Aguigui face a trial by court-martial on charges of premeditated murder, which would allow prosecutors to seek

the death penalty. He didn't say how soon he will decide.

"As the accused's resentment for his wife grew into hatred, he realized Sgt. Aguigui was worth more to him dead than she was alive," Army prosecutor Maj. Jaclyn Grieser said in her closing argument.

Aguigui's defense attorneys argued the case against him contained no conclusive evidence that anybody killed his wife.

"All we have is a possibility—one man's theory," said Capt. Scott Noto, an Army defense lawyer.

Aguigui's attorneys suggested the wounds on his wife's wrists and other injuries came from them having rough but consensual sex. Chief Warrant Officer Justin Kipnis, an Army criminal investigator, testified Monday that police found the handcuffs on Aguigui's bed along with an array of sex toys and leg restraints. He said Aguigui told investigators his wife liked being restrained with handcuffs and they had sex a few hours before he found her dead on a couch.

Kipnis said he suspects the bedroom scene was staged because it looked "too excessive."

Downs said it was possible the bruises could have come from rough sex. But he said the wrist wounds seemed to indicate somebody violently struggling against handcuffs as opposed to willingly wearing them.

8, 2013, cleanup.

Interested groups may apply to the Saipan Chamber of Commerce or the MVA, and upon approval of their application, they will be assigned an area that requires immediate trash cleanup. It will be up to the group submitting their application to decide how many people will clean the area and when the cleanup will be accomplished.

Applications and further details are available at [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com) and [www.saipan-chamber.com](http://www.saipan-chamber.com). (MVA)

## Groups call all to 'Beautify My Marianas'

Wing Beach, Paupau Beach, and Tanapag Beach.

"This project was a great eye-opening experience for us! Our group was astonished to find all sorts of trash left behind by beachgoers or by some people that choose to dump their garbage in the jungle," said the group in their cleanup report.

"As a club, the big question that troubled us was, 'How can some of the community lack

concern for the land and water by leaving their trash behind to rot and pollute?' It is sad to see such attitude."

"Beautify My Marianas" is funded through the MVA with a grant from the Office of Insular Affairs obtained in cooperation with the Office of U.S. Congressional Delegate Gregorio Kilili Sablan. The program offers a minimum of \$100 to non-profit organizations and school-sanc-

tioned groups for cleaning a mile.

Last month 14 players, their parents, team manager Tony Rogolifoi and head coach Sylvio Ada of the Saipan Senior League All Stars Baseball Team cleaned the beach from Kilili Beach Park in Susupe to Pakpak Beach in San Antonio. The team was raising money for their departure on June 29 for Asia Pacific Regional Tournament in the Philippines.

"Bags of trash were removed

### SUMMER ACADEMY

High school juniors and seniors attend orientation for the College Access Challenge Grant's Summer Academy in the Northern Marianas College's Room D-1. The six-week CACG Summer Academy affords high school students an opportunity to gain college experience by taking some courses at NMC while receiving college advising, academic tutoring and college-preparatory and life skills training.



# Business

## Delay OK'd in health law rule

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—In a major concession to business groups, the Obama administration Tuesday unexpectedly announced a one-year delay, until after the 2014 elections, in a central requirement of the new health care law that many companies provide coverage for their workers or face fines.

The move sacrificed timely implementation of President Barack Obama's signature legislation but may help the administration politically by blunting an election-year line of attack Republicans were planning to use. The employer requirements are among the most complex parts of the health care law, which is designed to expand coverage for uninsured Americans.

"We have heard concerns about the complexity of the requirements and the need for more time to implement them effectively," Treasury Assistant Secretary Mark Mazur said in a blog post. "We have listened to your feedback and we are taking action."

Business groups were jubilant. "A pleasant surprise," said Randy Johnson, senior vice president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. There was no inkling in advance of the administration's action, he said.

"We commend the administration's wise move," said Neil

### APAFS to host 13th annual Pacific investment conference in Manila

The 13th Annual Pacific Region Investment Conference, organized by the Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies, will be held this November in Manila, Philippines.

The conference will provide a well-rounded program offering ideas for dealing with difficult situations, innovative approaches for seemingly impossible dilemmas, and a strong grounding for meeting your fiduciary obligations.

The two-day conference will be held on Nov. 7 and 8, 2013, at New World Hotel, Makati, Metro Manila.

The conference is ideal for public and private sector plan

### US home prices rise in May by most in 7 years

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—U.S. home prices jumped 12.2 percent in May from a year ago, the most in seven years. The increase suggests the housing recovery is strengthening.

Real estate data provider CoreLogic said Tuesday that home prices rose from a year ago in 48 states. They fell only in Delaware and Alabama. And all but three of the 100 largest cities reported price gains.

Prices rose 26 percent in Nevada to lead all states. It was followed by California (20.2 percent), Arizona (16.9 percent), Hawaii (16.1 percent) and Oregon (15.5 percent).

CoreLogic also says prices rose 2.6 percent in May from

Trautwein, a vice president of the National Retail Federation. It "will provide employers and businesses more time to update their health care coverage without threat of arbitrary punishment."

But the delay could also undermine the law's main goal of covering the nearly 50 million Americans without health insurance. Already, Republican resistance in the states will deny access to a planned Medicaid expansion—at least for next year—to millions of low-income people.

Under the health law, companies with 50 or more workers must provide affordable coverage to their full-time employees or risk a series of escalating tax penalties if just one worker ends up getting government-subsidized insurance. Originally, that requirement was supposed to take effect Jan. 1. It will now be delayed to 2015.

Most medium-sized and large businesses already offer health insurance and the requirement was expected to have the biggest consequences for major chain hotels, restaurants and retail stores that employ many low-wage workers. Some had threatened to cut workers' hours, and others said they were putting off hiring.

Business groups complained since the law passed that the provision was too complicated.

For instance, the law created a new definition of full-time workers, those putting in 30 hours or more. It also included two separate requirements, one to provide coverage and another that coverage be deemed "affordable" under the law. Violations of either one exposed employers to fines. But such complaints until now seemed to be going unheeded.

There is no coverage mandate—or penalty—for smaller businesses. Also, for businesses of any size, there is no penalty if their workers are poor enough to be eligible for Medicaid.

The delay in the employer requirement does not affect the law's requirement that individuals carry health insurance starting next year or face fines. That so-called individual mandate was challenged all the way to the Supreme Court, which ruled last year that the individual requirement was constitutional, since the penalty would be collected by the Internal Revenue Service and amounted to a tax.

Tuesday's action—announced while Obama was traveling back to Washington from his trip to Africa—is sure to anger liberals and labor groups. But it could provide cover for Democratic candidates in next year's congressional elections.

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To register for the conference, visit [www.apafsevents.brandspeakasia.com](http://www.apafsevents.brandspeakasia.com) or log on to [www.apafs.org](http://www.apafs.org).

In conjunction to the conference, APAFS will once again this year, offer the Accredited

### US home prices rise in May by most in 7 years

April, the fifteenth straight month-over-month increase.

Steady hiring and low mortgage rates have encouraged more Americans to buy homes. Greater demand, a limited number of homes for sale and fewer foreclosures have pushed prices higher. Prices are still 20 percent below the peak reached in April 2006, according to CoreLogic.

Sales of previously occupied homes topped the 5 million mark in May for the first time in 3 1/2 years. And the proportion of those sales that were "distressed" was at the lowest level in more than four years for the second straight month. Distressed home sales include foreclosures and short sales. A

short sale is when a home sells for less than what is owed on the mortgage.

Home sales are expected to increase in the coming months. That's because the number of people who signed contracts to buy homes rose in June to the highest level since December 2006. There's generally a one- to two-month lag between a signed contract and a completed sale.

One worry is that higher mortgage rates could slow the housing recovery. Still, rates remain low by historical standards. And increases in rates could boost home sales. That's because many Americans may act to lock in the lower rates before they rise further.

# Nation

## Probe on Ariz. blaze that killed 19



AP  
A couple who wished to not be identified walks along the makeshift memorial outside the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew fire station, Tuesday, July 2, 2013 in Prescott, Ariz.

### PRESCOTT, Ariz. (AP)—

Fire crews battling a wildfire should identify escape routes and safe zones. They should pay close attention to the weather forecast. And they should post lookouts.

Those are standards the government follows to protect firefighters, which were toughened after a wildfire tragedy in Colorado nearly two decades ago. On Tuesday, investigators from around the U.S. were arriving in Arizona to examine whether 19 highly trained firefighters who perished over the weekend heeded those rules or ignored them and paid with their lives.

In the nation's biggest loss of firefighters since 9/11, violent wind gusts Sunday turned what was believed to be a relatively manageable lightning-ignited forest fire in the town of Yarnell into a death trap that left no escape for the team of Hotshots willing to go to the

hottest part of the blaze.

The tragedy raised questions of whether the crew should have been pulled out much earlier and whether all the usual precautions would have made any difference at all in the face of triple-digit temperatures, erratic winds and tinderbox conditions that caused the fire to explode.

In 1994, 14 firefighters died on Colorado's Storm King Mountain, and investigators afterward found numerous errors in the way the blaze was fought. In the Storm King tragedy, a rapid change in weather sent winds raging, creating 100-foot tongues of flame. Firefighters were unable to escape, as a wall of fire raced up a hillside.

The U.S. Forest Service revised its firefighting policies as a result of the blaze.

"The reforms after Storm King were collectively intended to prevent that from happening again, which was

mass entrapment of an entire Hotshot crew," said Lloyd Burton, professor of environmental law and policy at the University of Colorado.

"There are so many striking parallels between this tragedy and what happened on Storm King in 1994, it's almost haunting."

Those changes included policies that say no firefighters should be deployed unless they have a safe place to retreat. They must also be continuously informed of changing weather.

"If you don't have those things in place, it's not advisable to deploy a team in the first place, because you can't guarantee their safety," Burton said.

The Hotshot team from Prescott entered the smoky wilderness over the weekend with backpacks, chain saws and other heavy gear to remove brush and trees and deprive the flames of fuel.

### Prosecutors attack Zimmerman story several ways

#### SANFORD, Fla. (AP)—

A judge tossed out a detective's statement that he found George Zimmerman credible in his description of fighting with Trayvon Martin, a decision that benefits prosecutors who are trying to discredit the defendant's self-defense claims.

Other efforts by prosecutors to attack Zimmerman's story on Tuesday included the cross examination of a friend he called after shooting Martin and the testimony of a doctor who found the defendant's injuries to be insignificant. They also sought to introduce school records that indicate Zimmerman had studied the state's self-defense law, in another swipe at his truthfulness.

Prosecutors took the unusual step of trying to pick apart the statements of an investigator they'd called as a prosecution witness because some of what he said appeared to help the defense. Prosecutor Bernie de la Rionda asked the judge to

strike Detective Chris Serino's

statement that he thought Zimmerman was credible when he described how he got into a fight with Martin. Serino was the lead investigator on the case for the Sanford Police Department.

De la Rionda argued the statement was improper because one witness isn't allowed to evaluate another witness's credibility. Defense attorney Mark O'Mara argued that it's Serino's job to decide whether Zimmerman was telling the truth.

Judge Debra Nelson told jurors to disregard the statement.

"This is an improper comment," the judge said.

The state has argued that Zimmerman profiled Martin from his truck and called a police dispatch number before he and the teenager got into a fight. Zimmerman has denied the confrontation had anything to do with race, as Martin's family and their supporters have claimed. Zimmerman's father is white and his mother is Hispanic.

The prosecutor also questioned Serino about his opinion that Zimmerman didn't display those negative emotions toward Martin.

De la Rionda played back Zimmerman's call to police to report the teen wailing through his gated community. Zimmerman uses an expletive, refers to "punks" and then says, "These a----. They always get away."

The detective conceded that Zimmerman's choice of words could be interpreted as being spiteful.

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# World



Supporters of Egypt's Islamist President Mohammed Morsi hold sticks and wear protective gear during training outside of the Rabia el-Adawiya mosque near the presidential palace, in Cairo, Egypt, Tuesday, July 2, 2013. (AP Photo/Amr Nabil)

## In Celebration of Her New Life † Joanne Christine Conrad Jones-Iguel Lovingly Known as "Jo"

of Tanapag was called to her eternal rest in the grace of our lord on Saturday June 29, 2013, at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) Guam. At the age of 32.

In her new life, She now joins her:  
**Paternal Grandparents:** †Juan SN. & + Nerim R. Jones  
**Son:** Perry Lawrence Magofna Iguel II

**She is survived by her:**  
**Husband:** Perry Lawrence Magofna Iguel

**Sons:** Leve'que Jones Iguel & Andre Jones Iguel

**Parents:** David Riack Jones & Deothora (Del) Conrad Jones

**Parents In-Law:** Veronica N. Magofna

Henry I. Iguel (Elaine Iguel)

**Maternal GrandParents:** Kaicho Rotuk & Meryalen S. Conrad

**Sister/Brother:** Penny Jones/Robin S. Eugenio (Reylynn J. Sapong & Zarinae J. Sapong), Nick Jones Jr.

**Sister In-Law:** Lani Sueann M. Iguel/ Sheldon Kaainoa (Remedio Nica I. Kaainoa), April Rita Taitano

**Brother In-Law:** Henry M. Iguel Jr./ Samantha SN. Decena (Neavana Tildie and Nehemiah Henry), Keith Cruz, Shawn Cabrera, Austine T. Iguel/ Kayla D. Magofna, Oliver T. Iguel, Luke T. Iguel, Benen T. Iguel

**She is also survived by numerous Uncles, Aunts, Cousins, Nieces, Nephews & God Children.**

Nightly Mass of Intentions is being offered at Santa Remedios Church at 6:00pm and San Roque Church on Thursday at 6:00pm. Holy Rosary is being said at 7:00pm at Santa Remedios Church.

On July 5, 2013, her remains will arrive from Guam at 1:00 am and will be escorted to Borja Funeral Home.

On July 8, 2013 at 7:00 am her remains will be escorted from Borja Funeral Home to Santa Remedios Church for viewing and last respects. The Mass for the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00am followed immediately by Interment service at San Roque Cemetery.

Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

Ghilisow Chapun, Si Yu's Ma'a, Thank You

The Family



## Defiant Morsi says he won't step down

**CAIRO (AP)**—His fate hanging in the balance, embattled President Mohammed Morsi vowed not to resign Tuesday, hours before a deadline to yield to the demands of millions of protesters or see the military suspend the constitution, disband parliament and install a new leadership.

The Islamist leader demanded that the powerful armed forces withdraw their ultimatum, saying he rejected all "dictates"—from home or abroad. Outside on the streets, the sense that both sides are ready to fight to the end sharpened, with clashes between his supporters and opponents that left at least 23 dead, most of them in a single incident of fighting outside Cairo University.

In an emotional speech aired live to the nation, Morsi, who a year ago was inaugurated as

### Bolivian leader's plane rerouted on Snowden fear

**LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP)**—The plane carrying Bolivian President Evo Morales home from Russia was rerouted to Austria on Tuesday after France and Portugal refused to let it cross their airspace because of suspicions that NSA leaker Edward Snowden was on board, the country's foreign minister said.

Foreign Minister David Choquehuanca denied that Snowden was on the plane, which landed in Vienna, and said France and Portugal would have to explain why they canceled authorization for the plane.

"We don't know who invented this lie. We want to denounce to the international community this injustice with the plane of President Evo Morales," Choquehuanca said from La Paz. Morales had earlier met with Russian President Vladimir Putin at a summit of major gas exporters in the Kremlin.

In an interview with Russia Today television, Morales said that his South American coun-

try would be willing to consider granting asylum to Snowden.

The crisis has become a struggle over whether a popular uprising can overturn the verdict of the ballot box. Morsi's opponents say he has lost his legitimacy through mistakes and power grabs and that their turnout on the streets over the past three days shows the nation has turned against him.

For a third day Tuesday, millions of jubilant, chanting Morsi opponents filled Cairo's historic Tahrir Square, as well as avenues adjacent to two presidential palaces in the capital, and main squares in cities nationwide. After Morsi's speech, they erupted in indignation, banging metal fences to raise a din, some raising their shoes in the air in a show of contempt. "Leave, leave," they chanted.

### WORLD BRIEFS

#### Vatican panel clears John Paul II for sainthood

**VATICAN CITY (AP)**—Pope John Paul II has cleared the final obstacle before being made a saint, awaiting just the final approval from Pope Francis and a date for the ceremony that could come as soon as Dec. 8, a Vatican official and news reports said Tuesday. The ANSA news agency reported that a commission of cardinals and bishops met Tuesday to consider John Paul's case and signed off on it. A Vatican official confirmed that the decision had been taken some time back and that Tuesday's meeting was essentially a formality. One possible canonization date is Dec. 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, a major feast day for the Catholic Church. This year the feast coincidentally falls on a Sunday, which is when canonizations usually occur.

#### Strong quake in Indonesia's Aceh province kills 6

**BANDA ACEH, Indonesia (AP)**—A strong earthquake felled buildings and caused landslides in western Indonesia, killing at least six people and injuring more than 200 oth-

ers. More than 300 houses and buildings were damaged across Aceh province, and rescuers were looking for people trapped in the debris. The magnitude-6.1 quake struck Tuesday afternoon at a depth of just 10 kilometers (6 miles) and was centered 55 kilometers (34 miles) west of the town of Bireun on the western tip of Sumatra island, the U.S. Geological Survey said. Five people were killed and 70 others were injured by a landslide or collapsing buildings in Bener Meriah, the worst-hit area, said Sutopo Purwo Nugroho of the National Disaster Mitigation Agency. He said two people were missing in the landslide. Another person was killed and 140 injured in neighboring Central Aceh district, Nugroho said.

#### China demands knives, offers rewards in tense west

**BEIJING (AP)**—Police in China's tense far west announced a crackdown on weapons as well as rewards for information on "terrorist" threats following recent deadly unrest, while state media raised alarms with reports that local militants were fighting and training abroad. Clashes in

recent months have killed at least 56 people in Xinjiang, a region that has long been home to a simmering rebellion against Chinese rule among parts of the Muslim Uighur population. The unrest comes ahead of the fourth anniversary of riots in the regional capital, Urumqi, in which the government says almost 200 people were killed. China's state media have ratcheted up rhetoric, blaming the violence on "terrorism, extremism and separatism" and carrying reports that some Uighurs are gaining war-fighting experience in Syria.

#### US drone attack kills 4 militants in Pakistan

**PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP)**—Pakistani intelligence officials say unmanned U.S. aircraft fired four missiles at a house in northwest Pakistan, killing four militants. The officials say the militants were members of the Haqqani network. Two militants were wounded. The drone strike was early Wednesday near the Dande Darpa Khel area of the North Waziristan tribal region. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to reporters.

# Environment

## Look for big and small ways to cap your water bill



By KAREN SULLIVAN  
THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER

The showers, toilets, washing machines, garden hoses and other thirsty devices can spray your water bill with charges.

The environment suffers, too, when we use more water than we have to.

Consider these interventions if you'd like to see your water bill evaporate, rather than your paycheck.

### HIGH-EFFICIENCY WASHERS

Top-loading washers need to float clothes in a water bath to create a back-and-forth agitation. The tumbling motion of front-loading machines typically uses less water, according to the California Urban Water Conservation Council.

Washers that have the Energy Star label can use about 35 percent less water and about 20 percent less energy than machines without the rating.

The LG Electronics large-capacity, front-loading washer is designed to save water and energy by automatically setting the water level and length of the wash cycle based on the weight and size of your load. LG's 3.6 cubic foot, large-capacity model received Energy Star's "most

**DUAL-FLUSH TOILETS**  
Toilets are a major source of indoor water use in most homes, at about 30 percent on average. An old toilet can use as much as

### Japan defends its whaling as scientific

**AMSTERDAM**—Japan on Tuesday defended its whaling in the Antarctic, telling the International Court of Justice that it is sustainable and legal.

"Japanese whaling is not commercial but purely scientific," Deputy Foreign Minister Koji Tsuruoka told the United Nations' highest court in The Hague, arguing that it, therefore, did not endanger the protected mammals.

Australia filed suit against Japan, charging that it is indeed engaged in commercial whaling and is breaching international law by killing hundreds of whales every year for commercial purposes.

Japan officially halted commer-

6 gallons per flush, compared to the current federal standard of 1.6 gallons. The newest models can perform even better, some using only 1.28 gallons or less, according to the EPA. The Caroma Somerton dual flush toilet, available at Green Depot for \$399, is in that top-performing class, using 1.28 gallons for a full flush and .9 gallons for a half flush. The design meets standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Its wider trap is designed to reduce clogs.

### SHOWER TIMER

One of the easiest ways to cut water use is to make a conscious effort. A shower timer can help. This one, priced at \$1.35

from Niagara Conservation, gets flipped over when the water goes on and tells you when five minutes have passed. A suction cup holds the timer in place.

### WATER-CONSERVING PLANTS

To save money outdoors, choose plants that thrive with moderate to small amounts of water. Experts for the garden centers at Lowe's stores recommend lantana, verbena, salvia, zinnia and rudbeckia, to name a few. See a more complete list of water-conserving plants and tips for Xeriscaping your yard at <http://low.es/119zHtY>. Other ways to conserve water in the garden include mixing compost

and manure into the soil so it retains water. Use mulch around your plants to prevent weeds and moisture evaporation.

### RAIN CATCHERS

A half inch of rain falling on a 1,000-square-foot roof can amount to about 300 gallons of water. Collecting runoff and using it in the garden or landscape is not a new concept, but stylish designs and accessories for rain catchers are an exciting twist. The 65-gallon polyethylene Rainwater Urn (\$179 from Gardener's Supply Co.) has a brass spigot, a 6-foot hose with a shut-off valve and removable planting tray on top. Gardener's

### STOP THE DRIPS

Water scarcity is a global problem that reaches into our own homes and backyards. Visit these sites to learn more and how you can make a difference:

- The Water Project and water scarcity in the United States: <http://bit.ly/192hCQq>.
- EPA's WaterSense program: <http://1.usa.gov/dfP12R>.
- Energy Star program: [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

Supply Co. also sells a portable cedar rain barrel stand (\$110) that makes it easier to use the spigot, which is typically at the bottom of the barrel.

## In Celebration of His New Life †Joaquin Ito Pangelinan

*better known as "Mitch"*

was called to his eternal rest on Friday, June 28, 2013, at the age of 71

*In his new life, Mitch will be reunited with his:*

<b>Father:</b>	Francisco Sablan Pangelinan
<b>Mother:</b>	Dolores Ito Pangelinan
<b>Father in-law:</b>	Gregorio Camacho Cabrera
<b>Godmother:</b>	Matilde S. Tudela
<b>Brothers:</b>	Felix Francisco I. Pangelinan & Esteban I. Pangelinan
<b>Brothers in-law:</b>	Dr. Isamu J. Abraham, Estevan I. Kileman & Raymond S. Camacho
<b>Daughter:</b>	Verena Marie Tudela Cabrera
<b>Daughter in-law:</b>	Rosita Terlaje Pangelinan
<b>Nephew:</b>	Carlos Patrick Pangelinan Camacho

*Mitch's memories will live in the hearts of his:*

<b>Wife and Best Friend:</b>	Carmen Tudela Cabrera-Pangelinan
<b>Children:</b>	Mark Dave S. Pangelinan (Reynee, Sabrina, Mark Jr., Regina) Michael S. / Vivian Pangelinan (Colin) Zarah P. / Clement Bermudes (Frannie, CJ, Tia) Ian S. / Jolyn Pangelinan (Zoe, Ian Jr.) Gina P. / Seth Sablan (Austin, Leila, Aveya) Jacqueline "Tomiko" Cabrera Pangelinan Brenna T. Cabrera / Ramon G. Villagomez II (Ramon III)



**Siblings:** Delgadina P. Zabetakis/Nick, Felicitas "Tee" P. Abraham, Joseph I. Pangelinan/Maria "Frica", Lourdes "Winnie" P. Camacho/Carlos, Kenneth I. Pangelinan

**Siblings-in-law:** Asuncion "Connie" P. Pangelinan, Linda T. Cabrera, Isidoro T. / Susana C. Cabrera, Daria C. / David Cing, Millan C. / Elroy Jr. Hill, Oliva C. / Thomas M. Deleon Guerrero, Olinka C. / Ghazanfar Chaudhry, Noel T. Cabrera / Carmen, Anthony T. Cabrera / Riza, Gloria C. Reyes, Rita T. Cabrera, Eleonita C. Camacho, Eloy T. Cabrera

**Mother-in-law:** Escolastica Tudela Cabrera

**Godfather:** Jose B. Tudela

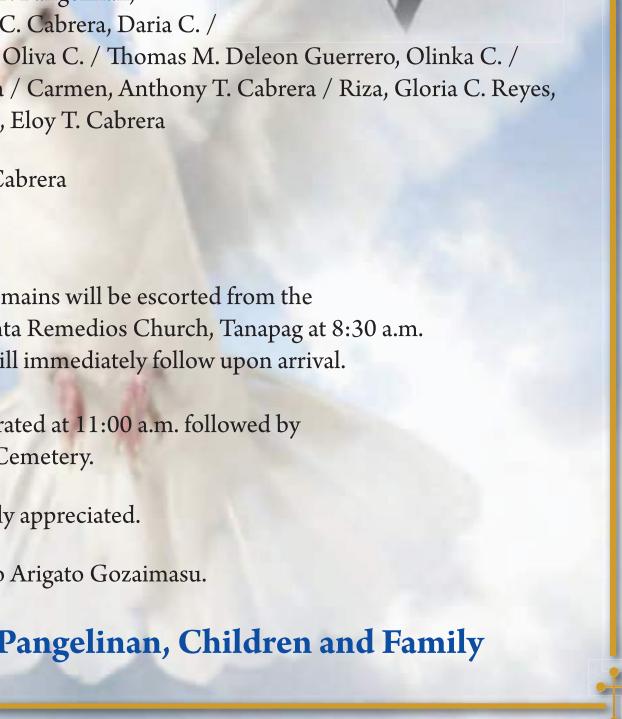
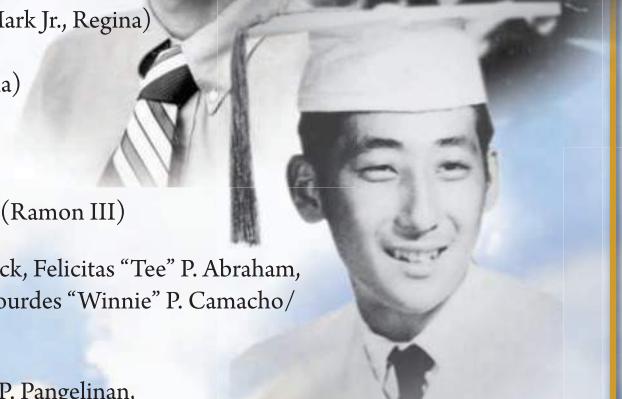
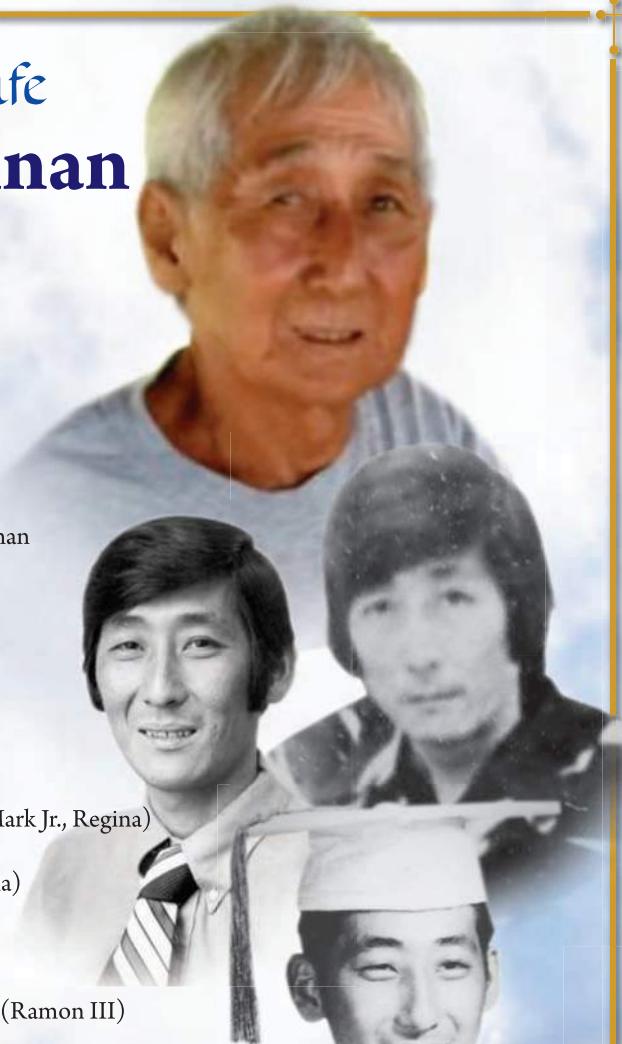
**On Saturday, July 6, 2013**, Mitch's remains will be escorted from the Commonwealth Health Center to Santa Remedios Church, Tanapag at 8:30 a.m. Responso Service and Holy Rosary will immediately follow upon arrival.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. followed by Interment Service at Tanapag Public Cemetery.

Your thoughts and prayers are sincerely appreciated.

Thank You, Si Yu's Ma'ase and Domo Arigato Gozaimasu.

**Carmen Tudela Cabrera-Pangelinan, Children and Family**

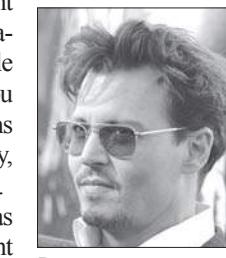


# Depp at 50: 'Just happy to still be around'

**SANTA FE, N.M.** (AP)—It may be difficult to separate Johnny Depp from his "Pirates" character Jack Sparrow, but the actor recalls a time before the boozy buccaneer became a household name.

"The films that I did prior to 'Pirates,' ... not everything but a lot of it, was sort of by industry standards, not blockbuster stuff. So I wasn't ever blockbuster material," said Depp in a recent interview.

But that's not to say he didn't have fun during those years.



Depp

"I've been lucky enough to be involved in some very small and different independent films throughout my career and I've been able to be involved in, you know, a couple of films that shocked everybody, especially me," he said.

Since 2003, Depp has played the flamboyant captain in four hugely successful "Pirates of the Caribbean" films, with a fifth installment slated for 2015.

At age 50, he is still one the

hottest names in Hollywood and about ready to launch another big-budget summer flick, "The Lone Ranger."

"The only thing I can equate it with is luck. There's no other reason," he said of his career longevity. "The fact that I was able to survive through that 15 years of just bouncing around doing (indie) movies and now still to end up here is amazing."

The Golden Globe-winning actor plays the famed Native American character Tonto in the upcoming Disney reboot of "The Lone Ranger," which is opening Wednesday. He said his children, Lily-Rose, 14, and Jack, 11, can't wait to see it.

"They're pretty excited about this one," Depp said while promoting the film in Santa Fe, N.M., where part of the movie was filmed. "You know, of course, they thought it was insane when they watched me play Tonto, but now they're

looking forward to this one."

Despite his success, Depp recognizes that life on Hollywood's A-list can be fleeting.

"I certainly wouldn't expect that it is one of those things that is going to stick around forever and ever," he said. "The clock ticks, the time's up and the next guy steps in or whatever and that's how it goes."

When he's not busy making films, Depp said music continues to be his main inspiration. Writing, playing guitar and one-off performances with artists

like Keith Richards, Aerosmith, Black Keys, Alice Cooper and Marilyn Manson keep his creative juices flowing.

Depp says that in the last couple of years, he's had "sort of a rebirth of my relationship with music. So I've been playing more and writing more and it's led to invitations to play with people."

Depp, who celebrated his milestone birthday June 9, refuses to take a single day for granted.

"Just to be here still is pretty amazing," he said. "Every day should be some sort of celebration. So yeah, I guess when you hit 50 finally ... it's just happy to still be around."

## UK Jewish Museum explores the real Amy Winehouse

**LONDON** (AP)—Amy Winehouse seemed to live in public, but her fans never knew the private person.

An exhibition at London's Jewish Museum aims to reveal an intimate side to a troubled star who was also, in the words of her older brother Alex, "simply a little Jewish kid from North London with a big talent."

"Amy Winehouse: A Family Portrait" brings together items from the late singer's London childhood, her stage-school years and her short but stratospheric career in music—from her first guitar to a posthumous Grammy Award.

By the time she died in 2011 at the age of 27, Winehouse was a larger-than-life figure whose battles with drugs and alcohol, splashed across front pages around the world, sometimes seemed to overshadow her talent. The exhibition shows that she was also a young woman who loved music, loved London and loved her family.

"It's a story that people don't know about Amy, her family story," museum chief executive

Abigail Morris said Tuesday. "You can forget there's a person behind the hype."

Morris said the show was a natural for the Jewish Museum. Winehouse came from a close-knit Jewish family, and the museum is in Camden, the neighborhood where the singer lived for most of her adult life—where she saw gigs and played them, browsed in second-hand record stores and drank in pubs. It's also the neighborhood where she died of accidental alcohol poisoning at her home in July 2011.

Assembled with help from Alex Winehouse and his wife Riva, the exhibition grew from the Winehouse family's offer to donate one of Amy's dresses. It expanded into a celebration of her Jewish roots, her family and her home city.

"The more we talked the more we realized the exhibition wasn't going to be about her dresses and her clothes," said curator Elizabeth Selby—

though there are several outfits on display, from the shimmering blue dress Winehouse wore at the 2008 Glastonbury Festival

to the tracksuits she preferred at home. "It's about her roots and her family life."

The exhibition, which opens Wednesday and runs to Sept. 15, traces the singer's family tree back to great-great-grandfather Harris Winehouse, who came to England from Belarus in 1890. Like many other 19th-century migrants, he hoped to reach New York, but landed up in London's East End.

There are photographs and mementoes from great-grandfather Ben Winehouse, an East End barber, and grandmother Cynthia, a glamorous figure who once dated jazz musician Ronnie Scott and taught Amy to read Tarot cards. Among the singer's many tattoos was an image of her beloved grandmother.

The Winehouse clan eventually left the East End for a leafier London suburb, where Amy was born in 1983 to jazz-loving taxi driver Mitch and pharmacist Janis.

Alex Winehouse has said of the family's Jewish heritage, "We weren't religious, but we were traditional."



AP

An exhibition entitled "Amy Winehouse: A Family Portrait" in London's Jewish Museum, Tuesday, July 2, 2013.

"Whereas other families would go down to the seaside on a sunny day, we'd always go down to the East End."

Displayed throughout the exhibition are captions written by Alex Winehouse about his demanding but loving sister, whom he recalled in a recent

Observer newspaper interview as "annoying, frustrating, a pain in the bum. But she was also incredibly generous, very caring."

The captions run alongside childhood photos, Amy's school uniform, her Dr. Seuss books and comics featuring the Peanuts character Snoopy, whom

young Amy adored.

Visitors will learn that as a young adult Winehouse read Charles Bukowski and Fyodor Dostoyevsky, liked Sudoku puzzles and obsessively kept wristbands, backstage passes and ticket stubs from the shows she played and attended.

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### CHART TOPPERS

The top 10 songs and albums on the iTunes Store for the week ending July 1, 2013:

#### TOP SONGS

- "Blurred Lines (feat. T.I. & Pharrell)," Robin Thicke
- "We Can't Stop," Miley Cyrus
- "Get Lucky (feat. Pharrell Williams)," Daft Punk
- "Radioactive," Imagine Dragons
- "Treasure," Bruno Mars
- "Can't Hold Us (feat. Ray Dalton)," Ryan Lewis, Macklemore
- "Cruise (Remix) (feat. Nelly)," Florida Georgia Line
- "Same Love (feat. Mary Lambert)," Macklemore & Ryan Lewis
- "Come & Get It," Selena Gomez
- "My Songs Know What You Did in the Dark (Light Em Up)," Fall Out Boy

#### TOP ALBUMS

- "The Gifted," Wale
- "Born Sinner," J Cole
- "Yeezus," Kanye West
- "Rise," Skillet

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#### TOP FREE IPHONE APPS

- Despicable Me: Minion Rush (Gameloft)
- Candy Crush Saga, (King. com Limited)
- Escape If You Can (Kaarel Kir-sipuu)
- Sprinkle: Water splashing fire fighting fun! (Mediocre AB)
- Battery Saver - Boost your happy hour (KS Mobile Inc.)
- Can You Escape (Kaarel Kir-sipuu)
- Monsters University: Catch Archie (Disney)
- Instagram (Burbon Inc.)
- Snapchat (Snapchat Inc.)
- Vine (Vine Labs Inc.)

The top iPhone and iPad apps on App Store for the week ending July 1, 2013:

#### TOP PAID IPHONE APPS

- WhatsApp Messenger (WhatsApp Inc.)
- Where's My Mickey? (Disney)
- Minecraft - Pocket Edition (Mojang)
- Heads Up! (Warner Bros.)
- Facetune (Lightricks Ltd.)
- SpongeBob Moves In (Nickelodeon)
- AfterLight (Simon Filip)
- Icebreaker: A Viking Voyage (Rovio Stars Ltd.)
- Kick the Buddy: No Mercy (Crustall)
- Contra: Evolution (PunchBox)

#### TOP PAID IPAD APPS

- Minecraft - Pocket Edition (Mojang)
- Toca Builders (Toca Boca AB)
- Monsters University: Catch Archie (Disney)
- SpongeBob Moves In (Nickelodeon)
- Where's My Mickey? XL (Disney)
- Dora's Great Big World HD (Nickelodeon)
- Plants vs. Zombies HD (PopCap)
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- Survivalcraft (Igor Kalicinski)
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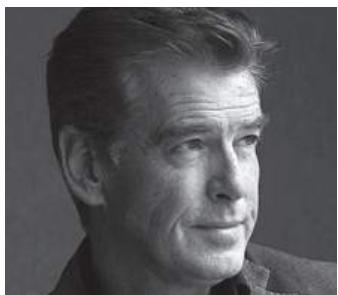
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- Secret Passages: Hidden Objects (Pocket Gems Inc.)
- Monsters University: Catch Archie (Disney)
- Hair Salon - Fun Kids games (George CL)
- LAYTON BROTHERS MYSTERY ROOM (Level-5 Inc.)
- Design It! - Outfit Maker for Fashion Girls Makeover : Dress Up , Make Up and Tailor (TabTale LTD)
- YouTube (Google Inc.)

The top 10 books on Apple's iBook-store for the week ending July 1, 2013:

#### TOP BOOKS

- "Inferno," by Dan Brown (Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group)
- "Second Honeymoon," by James Patterson & Howard Roughan (Little, Brown & Company)
- "This Man," by Jodi Malpas (Grand Central Publishing)
- "Entwined with You," by Sylvia Day (Penguin Group US)
- "World War Z," by Max Brooks (Crown Publishing Group)
- "And the Mountains Echoed," by Khaled Hosseini (Penguin Group US)
- "Beneath This Man," by Jodi Ellen Malpas (Grand Central Publishing)
- "Beautiful Day," by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown & Company)
- "Damaged 2," by H.M. Ward (Laree Bailey Press)
- "Fifty Shades of Grey," by E. L. James (Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group)



Brosnan

## Brosnan's daughter dies of ovarian cancer

**NEW YORK** (AP)—Pierce Brosnan's daughter has died from ovarian cancer, his publicist confirms.

Charlotte was 41 years old when she passed away in London on June 28, after battling the disease for three years.

Brosnan's first wife Cas-

sandra Harris, Charlotte's mother, also died from ovarian cancer in 1991. Harris' mother died from the disease as well.

People.com was first to report the story. In a statement to People, Brosnan said his daughter "fought her cancer with grace

and humanity, courage and dignity." He went on to say "we pray for her and that the cure for this wretched disease will be close at hand soon."

Charlotte is survived by a husband, Alex Smith, 14-year-old daughter, Isabella, and 8-year old son, Lucas.

## Christie's to sell collection of Kate Moss images

**LONDON** (AP)—Few people have been photographed more often than Kate Moss, and some of the most famous images of the supermodel are going under the hammer at a Christie's auction this fall.

The sale, announced Wednesday, includes a shot of Moss encased in bronze glitter by Allen Jones and images by well-known photographers including Annie Leibovitz, Bruce Weber, Mario Testino, Sam Taylor-Wood and Irving Penn.

The works, collectively valued at about 1 million pounds (\$1.52 million), have been assembled by German collector Gert Elfering. He called Moss a "living icon."

"Kate is the ultimate modern muse and we will be seeing her images in major museums and private collections for years to come," he said.

Moss has been a star since she was discovered as a teenager in the late 1980s. Her waif-like looks took fashion by storm, though she has also been criticized for her association with the super-skinny style known as "heroin chic."

Now 39, Moss remains among the world's best-known and best-paid models. Christie's director of photographs Philippe Garner said she was "the greatest icon of style of the modern age."

Lots up for auction include a 1992 image of Moss nude on a couch by Mario Sorrenti, valued at 30,000 pounds to 50,000 pounds (\$45,000 to \$75,000).

There's also a 2002 image by Craig McDean of Moss wearing a jacket and reading "God Save the Queen," with an estimate of 40,000 pounds to 60,000 pounds (\$60,000 to \$90,000), and a 3-D hologram image on a lightbox by Chris Levine estimated at between 100,000 pounds and 150,000 pounds (\$152,000 and \$227,000).

In addition to photographs, the sale includes a Peter Blake collage, a Jacquard tapestry by Chuck Close and—a must for every living room—an 18-carat gold sculpture of Moss as a naked angel by Nick Knight.

The works will be sold at Christie's in London on Sept. 25.

## UK inquest: Smiley Culture stabbed self in chest

**LONDON** (AP)—A British inquest has found that reggae star Smiley Culture died from a self-inflicted stab wound to the chest during a 2011 police raid.

The suicide verdict from an inquest jury Tuesday matched an

account from police, who had said the London-born musician stabbed himself with a kitchen knife as officers searched his house in connection with a drugs investigation. His family had called that account of events "bizarre."

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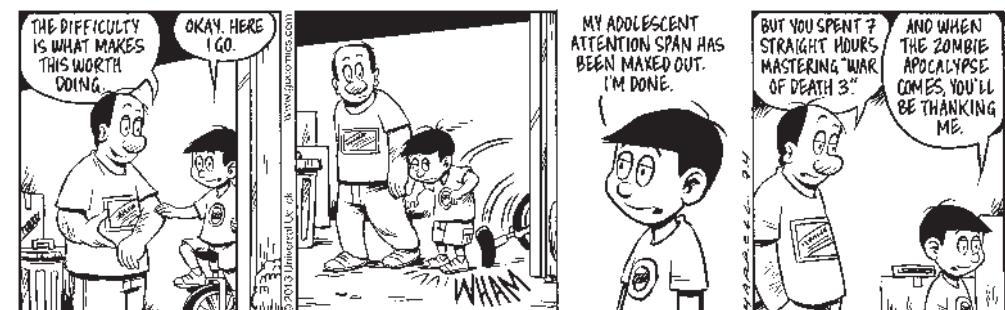
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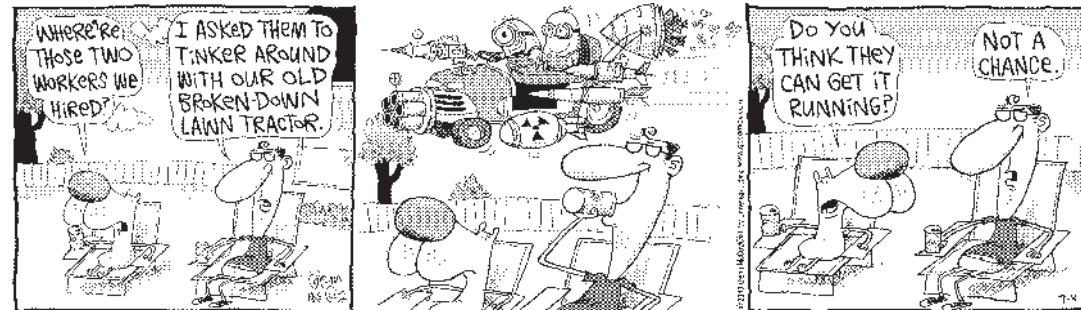
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Melanie Fiona, 30; Becki Newton, 35; Geraldo Rivera, 70; Neil Simon, 86.

**Happy Birthday:** It's up to you to make the most of your life. Don't sit back and watch -- become a participant. Getting involved in new interests, meeting new people and traveling to destinations you have never journeyed to before will broaden your perspective and help you reach for the stars. Opportunity awaits you, so leap into action. Your numbers are 2, 11, 15, 23, 27, 36, 41.

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By Dave Green

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3	1	9	6	2	7	5	8	4
2	7	5	8	3	4	1	9	6

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By DAVID OUELLET

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# No major champions in women's semis at Wimbledon

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(AP)—Trailing 5-4 in her first Wimbledon quarterfinal, Sloane

Stephens already had saved two set points and was about to serve at deuce when a fairly nondescript match became anything but.

Raindrops were falling and Stephens' opponent, 2007 runner-up Marion Bartoli, was trying to persuade a tournament official the Court 1 grass was dangerously slick. Spectators were booing and derisively whistling, angry at the prospect of play being suspended.

Eventually, Bartoli got her way. They stopped. The court was covered. For the ensuing 2 1/2 hours, no points were played. When they returned, Stephens—the last U.S. singles player at the All England Club this year—was completely out of sorts. Soon, she was out of the field, dropping a hard-to-believe 19 of her first 20 service points after the rain delay and losing 6-4, 7-5 Tuesday to France's Bartoli, one member of an altogether surprising semifinal quartet.

"I was like, 'Wow, my serve is not happening right now.' I tried a couple different things to kind of get it going. It just never really happened for me," said Stephens, who won the first four games she served, then lost six of seven the rest of the way. "So as I was playing, I was like, 'OK. This is not good.'"

The initial point when play resumed ended with Stephens pushing a backhand long, giving Bartoli her third set point. The next lasted 27 strokes, with Bartoli hitting a drop shot and Stephens responding with a forehand that caught the net tape and bounced wide. Just like that, the opening set was gone.

Stephens, a 20-year-old based in Coral Springs, Fla., never recovered. After Bartoli went up 1-0 in the second set, part of a 10-point run, fans jeered her, and she put her hands near her ears.

"Honestly," she said with a smile later, "it didn't matter much to me."

Asked whether Bartoli was employing gamesmanship by



Marion Bartoli of France returns to Sloane Stephens of the United States during their Women's singles quarterfinal match at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships in Wimbledon, London, Tuesday, July 2, 2013.

pushing for a delay at such a crucial moment, the 17th-seeded Stephens shrugged her shoulders and replied: "I don't know. I don't know. Who knows?"

The 15th-seeded Bartoli—who grips her racket with two hands off both wings, like her idol, Monica Seles—is seeking her first Grand Slam title. So are the other women left at the least predictable Wimbledon in memory: fourth-seeded Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland, 20th-seeded Kirsten Flipkens of Belgium, and 23rd-seeded Sabine Lisicki of Germany. It's the first time in the 45-year Open era that no previous major champion reached the women's semifinals at the All England Club.

"Very unexpected," Bartoli said, summing up this crop of semifinalists and this entire tournament, "but that's also the magic of it."

On Thursday, Bartoli faces Flipkens, and Radwanska faces Lisicki. Bartoli is the only one who hasn't lost a set—and she's also the only one who hasn't faced a past major champion.

Lisicki beat three along the

way, most stunningly 16-time Grand Slam titlist Serena Williams in the fourth round Monday, then followed that by eliminating 46th-ranked Kaia Kanepi of Estonia 6-3, 6-3 in the quarterfinals.

Flipkens, who missed two months last season because of blood clots in her leg, continued her climb back from outside the top 250 in the rankings by winning her first major quarterfinal, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 over 2011 Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova. Radwanska, who lost last year's Wimbledon final to Williams, got past 2011 French Open champion Li Na 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-2.

"Now I'm just more relaxed. ... Semifinal—it's already (a) great result," Radwanska said, capturing the happy-to-be-here vibe shared by the others who are left. "I will just go on court and try my best again, without that big pressure."

She entered Tuesday only 1-7 in Grand Slam quarterfinals, but made the kind of stand she usually doesn't at that stage, saving

four set points while Li served at 5-4 in the first. After taking that tiebreaker, there were some shaky moments for Radwanska, who blew a 4-2 lead in the second set.

After Li evened the match, Radwanska requested treatment from a trainer, who wrapped the player's right thigh with white tape and massaged her back.

"My legs are a bit overused," said Radwanska, who in 2012 became Poland's first major finalist in 73 years. "If it's the end of a Grand Slam, you don't really think about the pain or anything else."

She needed eight match points to put away Li, including six in the closing game, which lasted 10 minutes. But Radwanska finally did it, setting up a reunion of sorts with Lisicki, someone she faced when they were juniors playing under-12 events.

"Time flies," Radwanska said, "and suddenly we are here playing (the) semifinal of a Grand Slam."

Against Kanepi, 0-5 in major

quarterfinals, Lisicki displayed

the powerful serves, returns and groundstrokes that ended Williams' 34-match winning streak, and even mixed in a half-dozen drop-shot winners. Lisicki broke Kanepi at the outset and went through only a brief blip, double-faulting three times in a game to trail 2-1 in the second set. From there, Lisicki won five of six games to reach her second Wimbledon semifinal.

"I knew it's going to be tough after yesterday's match to just keep the level up," Lisicki said.

That's exactly what she did.

A touch of rain, less than a drizzle, started during the final points of Lisicki's victory. That cleared away by the time Stephens—whose late father, John, was the 1988 NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year for the New England Patriots—and Bartoli stepped on Court 1. That venue doesn't have a retractable roof, unlike Centre Court, where Radwanska-Li and Flipkens-Kvitova matches were played.

Stephens and Bartoli—whose many quirks include hopping in place, taking practice swings be-

tween points, and not bouncing the ball before hitting serves—traded big groundstrokes from the baseline, creating entertaining points. There hadn't been a service break entering that key 10th game, when Bartoli began talking to chair umpire John Blom about whether play should go on.

She scraped her shoes on the grass to indicate it was slippery. She pointed to her right hamstring, which had two thick, black, vertical strips of tape, as if to indicate an injury could occur. Last week, when there were a record-tying 13 withdrawals or mid-match retirements, some players wondered whether the footing is different this year.

During the discussion, Stephens waited near the baseline, left hand on hip. Within minutes, the precipitation increased, and the match was halted.

"Things like that happen, and you kind of just have to go with it," Stephens said. "It's definitely tough stopping and starting. I probably warmed up three times in the gym before we went back on the court."

When they came back, Stephens no longer could win a point on her serve. She lost 14 in a row in one stretch and was broken at love four of the last five times she served.

"I hit some excellent returns," Bartoli said.

The only reason Stephens kept things competitive was that she kept breaking Bartoli, too. There were eight straight breaks in all, until Stephens finally held for 5-5. Bartoli followed suit to lead 6-5, then broke again to end it.

This was only Stephens' ninth Grand Slam tournament, and her second quarterfinal (she beat Williams to reach the Australian Open semifinals in January). One day, Stephens might rue failing to capitalize on the sort of opportunity this upset-filled fortnight presented.

On Tuesday, she spoke about the importance of moving on.

"I know where I want to be, and I know where I want to get to in the end," Stephens said. "So I think it may not happen now, but as I work hard and I get older, I guess, it will hopefully eventually come."



**PHOENIX** (AP)—A person with knowledge of the situation says a three-team trade is in place that sends J.J. Redick from the Milwaukee Bucks to the Los Angeles Clippers and point guard Eric Bledsoe from the Clippers to the Phoenix Suns.

The deal also sends Jared Dudley from the Suns to the Clippers and Caron Butler from the Clippers to the Suns. The Bucks will get two second-round draft picks, according to the person who requested anonymity because the deal can't officially be made public until

## Source: 3-team deal sends Redick to Clippers

July 10 under NBA rules.

Yahoo! Sports, which first reported the trade, said Redick gets a four-year, \$27 million sign-and-trade contract as part of the exchange.

In Redick, the Clippers get a much-needed shooting guard to play alongside Chris Paul, who has decided to re-sign with a team that has visions of contending for the Western Conference title.

The Bucks acquired Redick from Orlando just before the February trade deadline, but decided not to re-sign him. Between the

two teams, Redick averaged a career-best 14.1 points per game. He scored a career-high 31 points and made a career-best eight 3-pointers for Orlando against Detroit on Jan. 27. The former Duke star averaged 12.1 points with the Bucks.

Bledsoe is the important piece for the Suns in the first trade engineered by new general manager Ryan McDonough. Paul's highly regarded backup played three seasons for Los Angeles after being drafted 18th overall out of Kentucky in the 2010 draft. Bledsoe averaged 8.5 points and 3.1

assists in 76 games for the Clippers last season.

The Suns already have Goran Dragic and Kendall Marshall at point guard, then drafted another in 18-year-old Archie Goodwin from Kentucky with the 29th pick last week.

Just what McDonough plans to do to relieve that logjam remains an open question because team officials are prohibited from talking about any moves until July 10.

Dudley, a highly popular player with Phoenix who played small forward and shooting

guard for the Suns, tweeted his approval of the trade.

"I can't lie, I'm excited to play close to home!!!" he wrote. "If I had to go to any team it would be the Clippers!! Time to get to work!!!"

He also thanked the fans and the coaches, current and former team officials and Suns owner Robert Sarver.

Dudley, in his fifth NBA season and third with the Suns, averaged a career-high 10.9 points in 2012-13, his first as a starter, but he was part of a team that posted the second-worst record

in Suns history.

With the drafting of 7-foot-1 Alex Len as the fifth pick overall and the acquisition of Bledsoe and Butler, McDonough—formerly the assistant GM in Boston—is making his first steps to shake up that unimpressive roster.

The deal has the Suns taking on the contract of Butler, a two-time NBA all-star who has played 11 seasons in the league with five teams. His biggest success came in his time with the Washington Wizards. Butler averaged 10.4 points last season, the second of a three-year, \$24 million contract he signed with the Clippers.

# Hunter's decisive RBI lifts Tigers over Blue Jays



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Hunter drove in the tiebreaking run with a two-out infield single in the eighth inning and the Detroit Tigers rallied from a 4-0 deficit to beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-6 on Tuesday night.

Hunter had four singles and Miguel Cabrera hit a three-run home run, his 26th, as the Tigers snapped a three-game losing streak.

Colby Rasmus homered and drove in four runs for the Blue Jays, who failed to extend their seven-game home winning streak.

Omar Infante singled off Neil Wagner (1-3) to begin the eighth, moving to second on Alex Avila's sacrifice bunt and taking third on Austin Jackson's deep fly ball. Hunter followed with a comebacker that bounced off Wagner and rolled to shortstop Jose Reyes, whose throw to first was late.

Al Alburquerque (1-1) worked one inning for the win, just the second for Detroit in eight games, and Joaquin Benoit finished in the ninth for his sixth save in as many chances.

## White Sox 5, Orioles 2

In Chicago, Adam Dunn and Conor Gillaspie homered, John Danks pitched into the eighth inning and Chicago snapped Baltimore's four-game winning streak.

The White Sox ended a five-game skid and avoided falling a season-high 16 games below .500.

Danks (2-5) earned his first win since June 8 against Oakland, pitching seven-plus innings and allowing two runs and six hits while striking out four. Following that win against the Athletics, Danks had been winless in three starts while allowing 13 earned runs.

Addison Reed pitched a scoreless ninth for his 22nd save in 26 attempts.

Jason Hammel (7-5) pitched seven innings and gave up five runs and nine hits for the Orioles.

## Yankees 7, Twins 3

In Minneapolis, Robinson Cano homered for the third straight game and Phil Hughes gave up one run on six hits in seven innings, lifting New York over Minnesota.

Cano followed up a two-homer performance Monday by going 2 for 4 with three RBIs and Alberto Gonzalez had two hits and three RBIs as well for the Yankees. New York has broken out for 17 runs in the first two games of the series to snap a five-game skid.

Hughes (4-7) struck out three and walked two, and Mariano Rivera got one out for his 27th save.

Samuel Deduno (4-3) gave up three runs on five hits in six innings for the Twins, who lost for the eighth time in 11 games.



AP  
Toronto Blue Jays' Colby Rasmus, right, rounds the bases past Detroit Tigers pitcher Doug Fister, left, and third baseman Miguel Cabrera after hitting a two-run home run during the second inning of a baseball game in Toronto on Tuesday, July 2, 2013.

## Mariners 9, Rangers 2

In Arlington, Texas, Kendrys Morales homered twice and tied a career high with six RBIs to lead Seattle past Texas.

Morales had a solo home run in the first and a three-run shot in the fifth off rookie Justin Grimm. The switch-hitter added a two-run single in the sixth.

Joe Saunders (6-8) won for the first time in eight regular-season starts at Rangers Ballpark. The left-hander allowed two runs—one earned—and struck out five in 6 2-3 innings.

Seattle's Raul Ibanez, who hit 10 homers in June, had a solo shot for his 20th homer of the season. Grimm (7-6) gave up six runs and seven hits in four innings.

## Rays 8, Astros 0

In Houston, David Price pitched three-hit ball for seven innings in his return from the disabled list and Desmond Jennings homered and drove in four runs as Tampa Bay beat Houston.

Price (2-4) had missed the last 44 games with a left triceps strain in his first-ever stint on the DL. But he showed no signs of rust, allowing a season-low for hits with 10 strikeouts.

Three relievers combined to finish the four-hitter, a night after the Rays two-hit the Astros.

Jennings, who finished with three hits, had a two-run single in the fourth to make it 3-0 and his two-run homer in the sixth pushed the lead to five runs.

Erik Bedard (3-4) yielded six hits and four runs with a season-high six walks in 5 1-3 innings.

## Indians 6, Royals 5

In Kansas City, Mo., Carlos Santana and Asdrubal Cabrera each drove in a pair of runs, and Cleveland took advantage of some wild pitching to beat Kansas City.

Mark Reynolds and Jason Giambi also drove in runs for the Indians, who capitalized on eight walks by Royals starter Luis Mendoza and the Royals' bullpen to win their fifth straight game.

Cody Allen (3-0) earned the win in relief for Cleveland, while Chris Perez survived putting two aboard in the ninth for his eighth save of the season.

Royals reliever Tim Collins (2-3) walked the only two batters he faced in the seventh, Aaron Crow walked another to load the bases and Santana came through with a go-ahead sacrifice fly.

## Athletics 8, Cubs 7

In Oakland, Calif., Derek Norris hit a three-run homer with two outs in the eighth inning and Oakland rallied to beat Chicago and regain the AL West lead.

Norris sent the 2-2 pitch from James Russell (1-2) over the left-center field wall for his fourth home run this season. Josh Donaldson and Chris Young also homered to put the A's a half-game ahead of Texas, which lost 9-2 at Seattle.

Alfonso Soriano hit a three-run homer and Welington Castillo drove in three runs for Chicago.

Dan Otero (1-0) pitched one scoreless inning for his first career win, and Grant Balfour finished for his 20th straight save this season and 38th overall.

## Angels 5, Cardinals 1

In Anaheim, Calif., Jered Weaver earned his second win of an injury-plagued season with help from a five-run second inning, and Los Angeles beat St. Louis to extend its win streak to seven.

Three-time NL MVP Albert Pujols played his first game against his former club and

in a row. Bailey beat the Pirates 1-0 in Pittsburgh last Sept. 28 and got another 17 starts later.

The last pitcher to throw one no-hitter and then another before anyone else in the majors accomplished the feat was Hall of Famer Nolan Ryan, according to STATS. Baseball's career strikeout king did it for the California Angels on Sept. 28, 1974, against Minnesota, and June 1, 1975, vs. Baltimore.

Bailey walked Gregor Blanco leading off the seventh, the only Giants batter to reach base. First baseman Joey Votto alertly threw out Blanco as he tried to advance from second to third on a soft one-hopper that otherwise could have become an infield single for Buster Posey.

With 27,509 fans on their feet chanting "Homer! Homer!" Bailey finished it off in the ninth. He jumped to glove Brandon Crawford's high comebacker, struck out Tony Abreu and retired Blanco on a grounder to third baseman Todd Frazier.

## Dodgers 8, Rockies 0

In Denver, Clayton Kershaw tossed a four-hitter for his second shutdown of the season and rookie sensation Yasiel Puig had three more hits, including a solo homer, to lead the Dodgers to a win over the Rockies.

The 22-year-old Puig also added a double and a single to raise his average to .443 this season.

Kershaw (7-5) kept the Rockies off balance all night, even top hitter Michael Cuddyer, who had his franchise-record 27-game hitting streak halted after going hitless in four plate appearances. Cuddyer flied out to Puig in right to end the game.

The hard-throwing Kershaw had eight strikeouts and walked none. He only allowed one runner to get to second all evening.

Roy Oswalt (0-3) was roughed up in his first start at Coors Field this season. He allowed five runs and nine hits in five innings.

## Phillies 3, Pirates 1

In Pittsburgh, Jonathan Pettibone pitched neatly into the sixth inning, and the Phillies snapped the Pirates' nine-game winning streak.

Phillies slugger Ryan Howard ended an 0-for-22 slump—12 strikeouts—with an RBI single in a three-run sixth to open the scoring. Howard and Michael Young each had two hits for Philadelphia, which scored all of its runs against Pirates rookie spot starter Brandon Cumpston (0-1).

Pettibone (4-3) won for the first time since May 14—a span of nine starts—by limiting Pittsburgh's offense to Garrett Jones' homer in the sixth. In 5 2-3 innings, Pettibone gave up three hits.

## Brewers 4, Nationals 0

In Washington, Stephen Stras-

burg had hitters flailing at curveballs for seven scoreless innings, getting all eight of his strikeouts with the same pitch in a magnificent outing that was wasted when the Brewers scored off the Nationals bullpen.

Strasburg put on a gem of performance that dropped his ERA to 2.24 and nearly overshadowed the game's actual outcome. Once again, the Nationals' bats abandoned him, and Juan Francisco's two-run double in the eighth started a scoring spree off Drew Storen (2-2) as the Brewers snapped a six-game losing streak.

Martin Maldonado knocked in Francisco with a warning track fly ball that left fielder Bryce Harper dropped—it was nevertheless ruled a double—and scored on Jeff Bianchi's groundball single that got through the infield only because Maldonado was trying to steal third with an absurd jump off Storen.

The earned runs were the first allowed by Storen in 10 appearances, and they made Jim Henderson (3-2) the winning pitcher. Brewers starter Wily Peralta had his own shutout in the making until he left during the sixth inning with a strained left hamstring. Henderson was one of four relievers who finished the eight-hitter.

## Braves 11, Marlins 3

In Atlanta, Chris Johnson's two-run, go-ahead double was the big hit in a four-run sixth inning that helped the Braves to a win over the Marlins.

The Braves set a season high with 16 hits and matched their high for runs.

The game was tied at 3 before the Braves opened the sixth with three straight hits off Dan Jennings (0-1), loading the bases. Ryan Webb struck out Dan Uggla and Reed Johnson before Chris Johnson gave Atlanta the lead with his double past first baseman Logan Morrison.

Kris Medlen (6-7) gave up three runs and nine hits and two walks in six innings as the NL East-leading Braves took their fourth straight win. The Marlins' three-game winning streak ended.

## Mets 9, Diamondbacks 1

In New York, Jeremy Hefner and the Mets handed Patrick Corbin his first loss, breaking away from the Diamondbacks on a drizzly night and sending the NL West leaders to their season-worst fifth straight defeat.

Josh Satin hit an RBI double that put the Mets ahead 2-1 in a seven-run seventh inning.

Hefner (3-6) outpitched Corbin (9-1) as the Diamondbacks continued a most curious streak—their starting pitchers are 0-11 in 24 games since June 5. Arizona fell to 1-7 on its road trip after two straight losses to begin this four-game visit to Citi Field.

# Before arrest, Hernandez had brushes with violence



**BOSTON** (AP)— When Aaron Hernandez first went before a judge to face a murder charge, a defense attorney said the former New England Patriots tight end had never been accused of a violent crime. But Hernandez is apparently no stranger to violence.

Since he was arrested last week in the shooting death of a friend whose body was found a mile away from his home, a portrait has emerged of a man whose life away from the field included frequent connections with police-related incidents that started as long ago as his freshman year at the University of Florida.

An acquaintance who sued Hernandez, claiming he was shot after a fight in a strip club earlier this year. A 2007 bar fight that left a restaurant worker with a burst ear drum. An unsolved double murder at a Boston nightclub last summer. All violent incidents, all with possible ties to the once-dominating athlete who now sits in a private cell for his own protection.

Hernandez has pleaded not guilty in the shooting death of 27-year-old Odin Lloyd, whose body was found June 17 not far from Hernandez's North Attleborough, Mass. mansion. His defense team has called the case circumstantial and has said Hernandez looks forward to clearing his name.

But even before the 23-year-old's recent arrest, public re-



double homicide investigation linked to the former NFL star.

Bristol Police Lt. Kevin Morrell said the request was based on evidence developed through the investigation of Lloyd's slaying. He said police were asked to search the same home in Bristol for both investigations, and they seized a vehicle at the address Friday.

Two men died in the shooting in Boston's South End on July 15, 2012 and another was wounded. Witnesses reported seeing gunfire coming from a gray SUV with Rhode Island plates. Authorities said 29-year-old Daniel Jorge Correia de Abreu and 28-year-old Safiro Teixeira Furtado were killed, but police didn't identify the third victim.

Boston police have declined to comment on whether Hernandez is being looked as a possible suspect in that case from last summer.

Hernandez has been connected to still more incidents involving guns, although none have resulted in criminal charges against him.

A man who claims Hernandez shot him in the face in February after an argument at a Florida strip club filed a civil lawsuit days before police arrested Hernandez.

Plaintiff Alexander Bradley claims in the civil action that Hernandez shot him with a handgun, causing him to lose his right eye. But after someone found the Connecticut man bleeding in an alley behind a Palm Beach County store after

hearing a gunshot, he told police he didn't know who shot him and gave only a vague description of possible assailants.

Bradley's lawyer David Jaroslawicz wouldn't comment on Tuesday about the nature of the alleged dispute between his client and Hernandez. He said the two flew to South Florida together before getting into a dispute at a Miami club.

The attorney said Bradley, who worked for Stanley Steamer before the shooting, had done some work for Hernandez and that the two also hung out socially a few times and had known each other for several years.

"Whether or not Hernandez

shot him deliberately or accidentally only Hernandez can tell us and right now he's not doing too much talking," Jaroslawicz said in a phone interview.

Authorities have also linked Hernandez to a May 18 fight outside a bar in Providence, R.I., that involved a gun.

A prosecutor with the Bristol County district attorney's office has said that a man who matched the description of a man seen on video with Hernandez on the night of Lloyd's slaying was seen putting a gun under a car during the Rhode Island incident.

Authorities traced that gun to a Florida gun shop.

Then following Lloyd's death, police said they recovered a .22 caliber gun about a quarter-mile from the defendant's home—a weapon authorities said was traced to the same store.

## CNMI

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prey to the defending champion Chinese-Taipei, 2-12. The CNMI Major All-Stars

dropped to a 1-1 record in Pool B, tying Thailand, while Chinese-Taipei (2-0) gained a share of the lead in Day 2 with Korea.

Korea routed New Zealand, 13-0, while other Major results

saw Guam down the Philippines, 13-7; Indonesia top Hong Kong, 4-2; Singapore edge United Arab Emirates, 8-5; and Thailand thumped Saudi Arabia, 12-1.

In the Big League divi-

sion, the CNMI fell to a 0-2 slate after absorbing a 2-4 defeat at the hands of the Philippines. The Commonwealth sluggers are at the bottom of the standings of the four-team field. Chi-

nese-Taipei, which clobbered Guam in Day 2, 16-0, is ahead with its 2-0 record, followed by Guam (1-1) and the Philippines (1-1).

The CNMI also has a 0-3

it bowed to Hong Kong, 2-3. Tournament favorite Japan leads the group with its 2-0 record, followed by the Philippines, Indonesia, Guam, and Hong Kong, which hold similar 1-1 slates.

## MBT

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Guam made a late run and took a 49-39 advantage at the end of that period.

Manalili said they folded up in the end, as Guam showed more cohesiveness in the homestretch.

"It was the first time the boys played as a team when we got to Guam. Most of Guam's play-

ers have been playing together for many years and it showed in their games," Manalili said.

Despite losing four straight matches, the CNMI still went all out in its last game and managed to bring home a win and a medal with its 13-point victory over Guam U16.

Jack Aranda paced the CNMI against Guam U16, scoring 19 points, while Tinian's Darius Pettis chipped in 16. The duo brought

the CNMI back into the game after Guam U16 took an 8-4 lead in the first five minutes of play.

With Aranda and Pettis finding their marks and drawing help from Ichitaro Faisao, Emerson Feria, and Jimmy Tudela, the CNMI stole the driver's seat at the end of the first canto, 17-12, and tasted its biggest lead, 49-33, at the 1:35 mark of the third canto.

"The boys stayed focused and

played as a team until the last buzzer. They knew that they had to execute both defensively and offensively and had to keep up the intensity from the tip off to the final buzzer," Manalili said.

After the MBT stint, Manalili said majority of the members of the team will play together in the Rotary league to prepare for future off-island competitions.

"Our goal as coaches is to try and keep the boys playing as a

team here. I believe that (not having enough time to play as a team) was one of our weakness when we played in MBT," Manalili said.

Meanwhile, the squad would like to thank the following for making its participation in MBT

possible: PSS, Tan Holdings, Mariana Resort and Spa, Triple J/Hertz Rental Car, Bridge Capital, NMSA, NMC, Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider, Rep. Antonio Sablan (IR-Saipan), and the players and coaches' families, and friends.

## NMC

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but was held to a free throw in the fourth canto, while Salem was the only other PIC player to score in twin digits with 12.

Salem dropped 6 in the first quarter where PIC built an early 8-0 lead before NMC recovered midway in that canto and moved within two, 14-16, after the opening period.

NMC and PIC continued to breathe in each other's neck in the next two periods before the latter folded up in the payoff canto.

In the first game, KFC/Taco Bell led from start to finish to take the 10-point victory over San Roque.

Mark Brown scored 6 early points and KFC/Taco Bell drew at least one basket each from five other players to erect a 20-12 advantage after the first period. KFC/Taco Bell stretched its lead to 10 at halftime, 37-27, as it continued to spread the wealth in the second canto and the advantage grew bigger in the third, 51-36, after it held San Roque to 9 points. Down by 15 with only one quarter to go, San Roque never made

headway in the fourth, allowing KFC/Taco Bell to cruise to the double-digit win.

Juan Camacho top-scored for KFC/Taco Bell with his 12 points, while Angelo Fernando added 10. Four other KFC/Taco Bell players nailed at least 4 points each. Glenn Aquino and Lester Vertudez logged 10 markers apiece to lead San Roque's losing cause.

### First Game

**KFC/Taco Bell 65** — Camacho 12, Fernando 10, Brown 8, Devero 6, Pagarao 6, Achas 4, Abuel 4, Manglona 2, Bahillo 2,

Francisco 2, Maranan 2.

**San Roque 55** — Aquino 10, Vertudez 10, Deleon Guerrero 9, Cadiang 9, Metran 8, Lero 4, Sacramento 2, Dela Cruz 2.

**Scoring by quarters:** 20-12, 37-27, 51-36, 65-55.

### Second Game

**NMC Proa 70** — Lizama 14, Barcina 12, Chariton 10, Villacrusis 10, Johnson 8, Faisao 8, Libuw 6, Babauta 2.

**PIC 56** — Barbo 18, Ne. Salem 12, Duenas 9, Demapan 8, Abuy 3, Babauta 2, Ni. Salem 2.

**Scoring by quarters:** 14-16, 29-30, 50-47, 70-56.

### MLB STANDINGS

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	51	34	.600	—

Baltimore 47 37 .560 3 1/2

Tampa Bay 45 39 .536 5 1/2

New York 44 39 .530 6

Toronto 41 42 .494 9

##### Central Division

Cleveland 45 38 .542 —

Detroit 44 38 .537 1/2

Kansas City 38 42 .475 5 1/2

Minnesota 36 44 .450 7 1/2

Chicago 33 47 .413 10 1/2

##### West Division

Oakland 49 35 .583 —

Texas 48 35 .578 1/2

Los Angeles 40 43 .482 8 1/2

Seattle 36 47 .434 12 1/2

Houston 30 54 .357 19

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

##### East Division

Atlanta	49	34	.590	—
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Washington 42 41 .506 7

Philadelphia 40 44 .476 9 1/2

New York 35 45 .438 12 1/2

Miami 30 52 .366 18 1/2

##### Central Division

Pittsburgh 51 31 .622 —

St. Louis 49 33 .598 2

Cincinnati 48 36 .571 4

Chicago 35 46 .432 15 1/2

Milwaukee 33 49 .402 18

##### West Division

Arizona 42 41 .506 —

Colorado 41 43 .488 1 1/2

San Diego 40 44 .476 2 1/2

Los Angeles 39 43 .476 2 1/2

San Francisco 39 44 .470 3

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# Art of War 8: Grappling and Submission Challenge's Gi Exhibition

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Far left, Trench Tech's Shane "Pika-Boo" Alvarez, right, tries to get a hold of Spike 22's Robert Alvarez during a Gi exhibition bout in the Art of War 8: Grappling and Submission Challenge last month at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

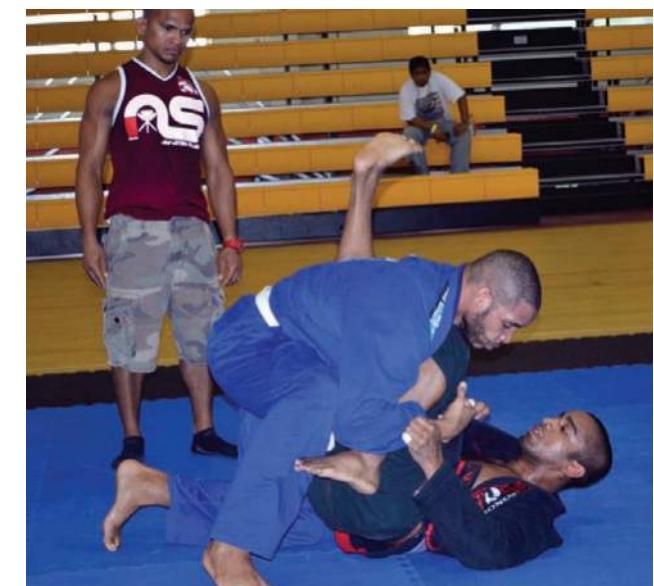
The referee watches Trench Tech's Shane "Pika-Boo" Alvarez, top, and Spike 22's Robert Alvarez battle on the mat.



The referee raises the arm of Trench Tech's Shane "Pika-Boo" Alvarez, who won on points against Spike 22's Robert Alvarez.



Mylo Lassiter, left, and Ricky Rout meet at the center to start their Gi exhibition bout.



Mylo Lassiter enjoys top position against Ricky Rout.



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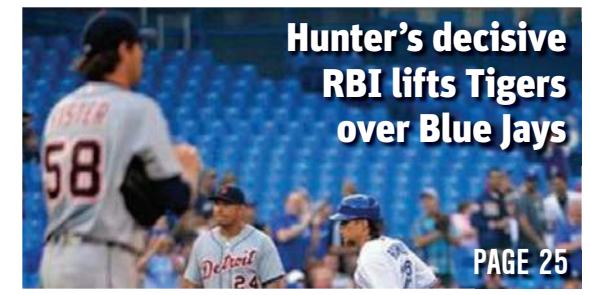
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## CNMI unbeaten in Senior, Junior leagues

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The CNMI is still undefeated in the Senior and Junior League divisions of the 2013 Asia Pacific-Middle East Baseball Tournament.

In the Senior League, the Commonwealth sluggers, who came off an impressive 9-1 victory over Guam in the opener last Monday at the Clark Freeport Zone in Olongapo City, Philippines, this time eked out a 9-8 win over Indonesia (0-2) in the second match at Field 1 last Tuesday.

With the close win, the Tony Rogolifo-managed Senior All-Stars shared the Day 2 lead with New Zealand (2-0). New Zealand notched a 9-6 victory over Guam (0-2) in the third match at Field 1 last Tuesday. Other winners in Day 2 of the Senior League pool play were China (1-1), which shut out Thailand (0-2) at Field 2, 7-0 and host the Philippines (1-1), which slipped past Hong Kong (1-1) at Field 3, 4-2.

The Senior League divi-

sion has only one pool and the Top 2 teams after seven games will duel in the championship.

The Junior League also has one pool with the CNMI in a tie for first place with the powerhouse Chinese-Taipei (2-0) after beating the Philippines (0-2) in the third game at Field 2 last Tuesday, 12-7. Actually, there was a three-team standoff after Day 2 of the competition, as Hong Kong gained its second win in as many games over Indonesia (0-2), 13-0. Defending champion Chinese-Taipei also blanked India (0-2), 7-0, for its second victory.

Meanwhile, the CNMI lost in the three other divisions last Tuesday.

In the Major division, the Commonwealth bets fell

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Kier Agda, seen here at bat in a file photo, plays for the CNMI Junior All-Stars, who edged Indonesia, 9-8, during their game in the 2013 Asia Pacific-Middle East Baseball Tournament last Tuesday at the Clark Freeport Zone in Olongapo City, Philippines.

## CNMI showed progress in MBT

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 The CNMI Junior National Team showed improvement in every game in last week's U19 Micronesian Basketball Tournament at the Father Duenas Memorial School Phoenix Centre in Hagatna, Guam.

The Commonwealth youth cagers went 0-3 in pool play, but saved a bronze medal after beating Guam U16 in the battle for third place, 64-51. Before its 13-point victory over Guam U16, the CNMI bowed to the same team in the preliminary game, 67-72, lost to Guam, 57-78, and fell short versus Palau, 72-75.

"Overall the boys did an outstanding job. They were able to improve in every game even though we came up short at the end. They knew that they had what it takes to win. They showed it when they went toe to toe with Guam U19 in the semifinals. It was a close game



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Players and coaching staff of the CNMI Junior National Team pose for a group photo after their bronze medal win against Guam U16 in the U19 Micronesian Basketball Tournament last week at the Father Duenas Memorial School Phoenix Centre in Hagatna, Guam.

till halfway through the fourth quarter. The boys gave Guam a good run and Guam boys were surprised and worried for a while," said Ed Manalili, a member of the coaching staff, joining Rufino Aguon and Tinian's Keith Nabors.

The Commonwealth bets even forced a deadlock in the third canto, 35-all, before

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## NMC, KFC get debut victories

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NMC Proa won its debut in the Lodge No. 179 Brotherhood Basketball League 2013/Docomo Pacific Cup after downing Pacific Islands Club, 70-56, last Tuesday night at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

The Rufino Aguon-coached NMC Proa turned a close game to a blowout in the end after PIC collapsed in the first quarter.

PIC was held to three field goals in the fourth canto and was scoreless for about six minutes before making two useless baskets in the homestretch.

PIC's first field goal came at the 8:45 mark of the fourth period off Ernest Duenas' 24-second shot clock beating triple. That basket also gave PIC its last taste of the lead, 51-50, before the San Antonio-based squad went on a slump.

While PIC struggled offensively, NMC uncorked a 12-0 run for its first double-digit advantage, 62-51. A Nevin Salem triple at the 3:14 mark of the fourth canto ended PIC's drought, but he was too late the hero, as NMC was in full control, protecting a 66-54 advantage.

NMC walked away with a 14-point winning margin after playing with a balance offense. Jack



ROSELYN B. MONROYO

NMC Proa's Keoni Charlton drives against Pacific Islands Club's Darwin Barbo during the fourth quarter of their game in the Emon Lodge caging last Tuesday night at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

Lizama finished with 14 points, Dan Barcina added 12, Keoni Charlton and Joe Villacrusis chipped in 10 apiece, and Ichitaro Faisao and Quincy Johnson contributed 8 each.

Darwin Barbo paced PIC with his 18 points, See NMC on Page 26